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7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Dvorak—Symphony No. 2 in D Minor, Op. 70—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Václav Talich.

8.40 Studio—Cello and Piano Recital by Ettore Pelligrini and Nura Kankis—Indian Lament (Dvorak-Kreisler); La Gitana (Kreisler); Chanson; Villageoise (Poeper); Pavane Pour Une Infante Deuillie (Ravel); Variations—Symphoniques (Boellmann).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Wagner's "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg" Act III, Scenes 1-4—Characters and Soloists in order of appearance—David... Martin (Kremer (Tenor); Hans Sachs... Hans Hermann Nissen (Bass); Walther von Stolzing... Torsten Ralf (Tenor); Beckmesser... Eugen Fuchs (Bass); Eva... Margarete Teschemeller (Soprano); Magdalena... Lone Jung (Soprano); with Chorus of the Dresden State Opera and The Saxons State Orchestra. Conductor, Karl Böhm.

11.00 Close Down.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: A fair exchange in the Hongkong Banks at \$1,400 and Unions at \$510 took place. The rest of the market was quiet, though there are signs that buyers may shortly be taking rather more interest.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Docks \$215
China Light (Old) \$8.10
China Light (New) \$5.25
Dairy Farm (Old) \$21 1/2 X.D.
Watsons \$10.10
Entertainments \$6.70 X.D.

Sellers
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Docks \$22 1/2
Providence \$5.20
Lands \$37 1/2
Tramways \$17 1/2
Yauwatt Ferries 20 1/2
Telephones (Old) \$30
Telephones (New) \$11 1/2
Watsons \$10.40

Sales
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Union Ins. \$510
Humphreys \$3
Tramways \$17 1/2
China Light (Old) \$8.10
China Light (New) \$5.40
Electricity \$3 1/2
Dairy Farm (Old) \$21 1/2 X.D.
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E. L. STRANGE,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty first Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 3rd day of April, 1940, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1940, to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1940.

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HITLER PICKS HIS "GAULEITER" TO RULE BRITAIN—IF HE WINS WAR

'Victory' Plan to Make Britons All Nazis; Bring Over The Gestapo; Control British Industries!

Nazi Bosses in Training

AMSTERDAM.

HITLER has chosen the man who will be Nazi dictator of Britain—IF Germany wins the war.

The man is Gauleiter E. Wilhelm Bohle, born in Bradford, Yorkshire, thirty-six years ago of German parents—but still entitled to British nationality and a British passport.

He will be installed in London, but the Nazis have not yet fixed his official residence, nor the date on which he will take office. They have decided to await events.

Meanwhile, according to reports reaching Amsterdam from Berlin, Hitler's preparations for dealing with Britain after the war are in full swing.

The whole country is to be divided up and ruled by local Gauleiters (leaders), backed up by Gestapo agents.

Special schools for these future rulers of Britain have been formed at Bad Tolz, high in the Bavarian Alps, and at Marburg, old Prussian university town. Here picked S.S. men, the black-shirted elite of the Nazi Party, are working night and day, studying English and the other details "of ruling Britons."

Dances and Concerts

Bohle has beaten the field. He is head of the Auslandsdeutscher organisation—in supreme control of all Nazis living abroad. His secret orders are their law.

This young man, with the hard, handsome face, left England as a small boy and went to school in Capetown. He owes his career in the Nazi Party to his fluent English, which he speaks with a guttural accent.

When he took charge of the Auslandsdeutscher in 1933, his subtle plan was to organise concerts, lectures, dances and social events in big cities throughout the world, and so keep Germans in touch with each other.

In London the Nazi headquarters were in Cleveland-terrace, Bayswater, and regular dances were held at Porchester Hall.

To make sure that everything was running as smoothly as it ought, Bohle paid a visit to London.

Perhaps, with some premonition of what was in store for him, he even stood outside Buckingham Palace and other London buildings trying to make up his mind where he would live one day.

Bohle prides himself on his knowledge of England and the English.

So the S.S. men who will serve under him are being given "cramped" courses on English life, customs and etiquette. They hear about the mysteries of Yorkshire pudding and a nice cup of tea. Nothing is neglected. With typical German thoroughness, they even receive lectures on the English sense of humour.

EACH OF THE MEN HAS ALSO TO SPECIALISE IN HIS OWN DISTRICT. HE MUST STUDY MAPS AND GUIDE-BOOKS UNTIL HE IS ABSOLUTELY FAMILIAR WITH EVERY INCH OF THE TERRITORY.

Further, he must know exactly what industries there are in his area, how many men and women are employed, what their wages are, what their output is.

And he must know, too, how to crush any resistance there may be. For Hitler intends to make Britain something more than a mere vassal State of Germany. It will become a place for lucrative jobs for Nazi leaders, in industry as well as in administration, and intrigues have already begun for these posts.

The S.S. men so far selected have passed the strictest physical tests and have proved their Aryan ancestry beyond reproach.

They have even signed declarations agreeing not to marry until the Nazi leaders have examined the qualifications and family history of the bride-to-be and given their consent.

Hitler has not made up his mind about the Empire, but he favours a system of self-government under Nazi protectors, on the lines of Bohemia and Moravia.

But there is one thing that Hitler, Herr Bohle and their henchmen have overlooked. THEY HAVE NOT WON THE WAR YET.

Smith Minor Has a Bright Idea

A NOVEL—if not entirely disinterested—suggestion for war-time economy in paper is made in a letter signed Young Hopeful, sent to Eton College Chronicle.

"May I suggest," he writes, "that the present system of punishing fellows with lines, or spelling lists, should be abolished?"

"This factor, on top of the many known disadvantages of compelling fellows to write lines as punishment, should settle once and for all this abominable practice."

Young Hopeful should not be too hopeful!

Churches "Profit" From Evacuees: Bitter Criticism

AFTER bitter attacks on the Churches, who were accused of profiteering at the expense of evacuees, Brighton Education Committee disapproved of the schedule of rentals of 50 church and other halls recommended for hiring for school purposes in connection with evacuation.

It was stated that the rentals would total £10,000 a year. "Scandalous," declared Councillor J. C. Sherrott. "The whole thing reeks with profiteering."

Councillor Ingham quoted a church with hall and rooms, rated at £60 per annum for which the Council was asked to pay £9 a week, or £468 a year.

"Highway Robbery"

"I have never seen such highway robbery with violence in all my life," he said, "and, goodness me, the chapels seem to be worse than the churches."

"Here, in Brighton, we have working class people receiving evacuees, loving them, feeding them, buying them boots and clothes and taking them to the pictures, while the rich churches are making a profit out of them. It is a condemnation of Christianity."

Another councillor observed: "If these people have the audacity and temerity to charge such rents they are no longer Christians."

Yet another member said it was "the biggest scandal Brighton has ever heard of."

Government Pays

Councillor Sherrott who moved that the schedule be disapproved, also proposed that the halls be requisitioned wherever possible at rentals approved by the district valuer.

THE MAN WHO MADE FIVE FORTUNES

Proving It



TWO men were lifting a jar of rum at Southampton Docks when it fell and smashed.

They saved some of the rum—and sampled it.

The spirit was overproof. One of the men is now in Southampton Hospital, reports the "Daily Mail."

PHARAOH SWATHED IN GOLD

Cairo.

WHEN the silver mummy case of King Psusennes, thought to have been the last Pharaoh of the 21st dynasty and the father-in-law of King Solomon, was opened before King Farouk, a collection of royal apparel described "as the richest since Tutankhamen" was found.

The head was covered with a pure gold mask like that of Tutankhamen.

A covering of silver and gold was wrapped round the body.

There was a gold pectoral, at least 20 gold bracelets, and slippers of gold.

The bracelets bore important inscriptions giving records of the Psusennes family.

The mummy was in a silver case which was contained in two granite sarcophagi in the tomb on the site of the ancient city of Tanis.

Receiving Order Against KEITH WILLIAMS

KEITH HUGH WILLIAMS, the financier who a year ago was reputed to have made five fortunes and lost four of them, has had a receiving order made against him.

The "London Gazette" announces that a creditor's petition was filed last August, and a receiving order was made at Plymouth.

Keith Williams' address is given as Combe Royal, Kingsbridge, Devon, "intely carry on business at Grosvenor House, Park-lane, London." Combe Royal is a beautiful mansion.

In January, 1939, when creditors and shareholders of the Aeronautical Corporation of Great Britain, Ltd., met, a promoter of the company said he had just received a letter from Mr. Williams, addressed from Alberta, Canada.

A representative of the shareholders stated that he had seen a man "just like Mr. Williams," in London.

On the same day, the "Daily Herald" received a handwritten letter signed "Keith H. Williams" and carrying his Devon address although a member of the household said that he was abroad.

Mr. Keith Williams has figured in a number of widely discussed lav cases. On one occasion he lost £10,000 at a charity gambling party in the West End.

A law case followed, in which he sued the organiser for damages. The case was stopped and Mr. Williams ordered to pay costs, which, he said afterwards amounted to thousands of pounds.

Bodyguard He was given a special bodyguard of detectives after the case, following an anonymous threat to kill him.

Mr. Williams is 45 and comes from Wales. Originally a sailor, he became a Texas ranchman, salesman, clerk, coffee-shop proprietor, and bank clerk.

He once wrote a book called "Money Sense."

Gretna Has No 'Priest'

GRETNA GREEN is without a "priest" to perform runaway weddings.

Mr. David Ramsay Macintosh, 53-year-old Gretna Hall "priest," has died.

His rival, Mr. Richard Rennison, "priest" at the Gretna smithy, gave up the marriage business and moved into Cumberland before Christmas.

Mr. Macintosh had been suffering from pleurisy.

Since he began marrying couples over the anvil in a "blacksmith's shop" in the courtyard of Gretna Hall two years ago, he had become known to thousands of people in this country and abroad.

He had performed more than 500 ceremonies.

When Mr. Macintosh bought the hall he revived romantic associations, securing a number of relics and the marriage register which contains the names of many English noblemen, as well as that of John Peel, of hunting fame.

The whole Gretna Green marriage business was threatened with extinction by the passing of the Scottish Marriage Act, which was to have come into force on January 1, but operation of the Act has been postponed.

Radio Officers Polishing Up German, Were Arrested

A SOLDIER sitting at an open window in a docks office at a West Coast port heard two men talking in German, and looking down noticed they were in British uniforms.

By the time he reached the quay they had vanished, and police and soldiers were called to search for them.

Eventually the two suspected men were found, still talking German, as they sat on one of the lock gates.

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

(Continued from Page 6.)

such-and-such a thing is done and that's that.

The one virtue of this species of strategic chess-playing is that it knows when it is beaten, as it did at the conclusion of the Gretna "Who's better?" match.

Whether the particular tactical code of generalship still obtains in the German Army remains to be seen but the German Army of the Great War might well have been described as an army of panthers led by owls as Lewis Carroll might have put it.

From the first, the German fighting man has had a reputation for cruelty, and his recent conduct in Poland does not seem to have detracted in any way from his ill-fame in this respect.

The statement of Herr Hitler that he is "fighting chivalrously" notwithstanding.

If the Pole is down and out for the moment, he may get up again before he takes the full count. He is a brave and resourceful fighter, knightly and enterprising, who through nearly all his history has been matched against superior odds.

His reputation as a cavalryman was the most brilliant in Europe, but in these days, when most soldiers fight by "turning a handle, almost on "piece-work" as one might say, his horsemanship has availed him little.

The Russian Enigma

The Russian, who reminds one of the man who asked—"Is this a private fight, or may anyone join in?" is a splendid defensive fighter, and has now as his leaders a type of officer who, for excellent training and scientific accomplishment, is in the very forefront of his profession as all good observers agree. Discipline is good, the one drawback being the

In vain did they plead that they were British radio officers, and it was not until after they had been taken to barracks under guard that it was found their story was true.

They were both learning German, and arranged that whenever they docked at the same port they would try to improve their command of the language by speaking nothing else.

They revealed they had learned German in order to be able to talk to shipmates all Dr. Goebbels' propaganda lies straight from the radio.

rather youthful age of the officers and non-coms.

Apart from that, we know almost nothing regarding the war-psychology of the new Russian conscript. The likelihood is that, as at other periods, he would, though a dogged fighter, scarcely be able to hold his own against professionally-trained French or British troops, if called upon to do so, though he would certainly not disgrace himself.

About our own men we need say little. The personal address and hardihood of the English Infantryman is as remarkable as his quick and vigorous reaction to circumstances. As for the Scot, it is proverbial that he goes into battle in a rather cautious mood—and that his officers find it wellnigh impossible to make him stop fighting!

In the present struggle the British Tommy will, as before, be the spearhead on the shaft of Freedom. And I, for one, am old-fashioned enough to believe that—

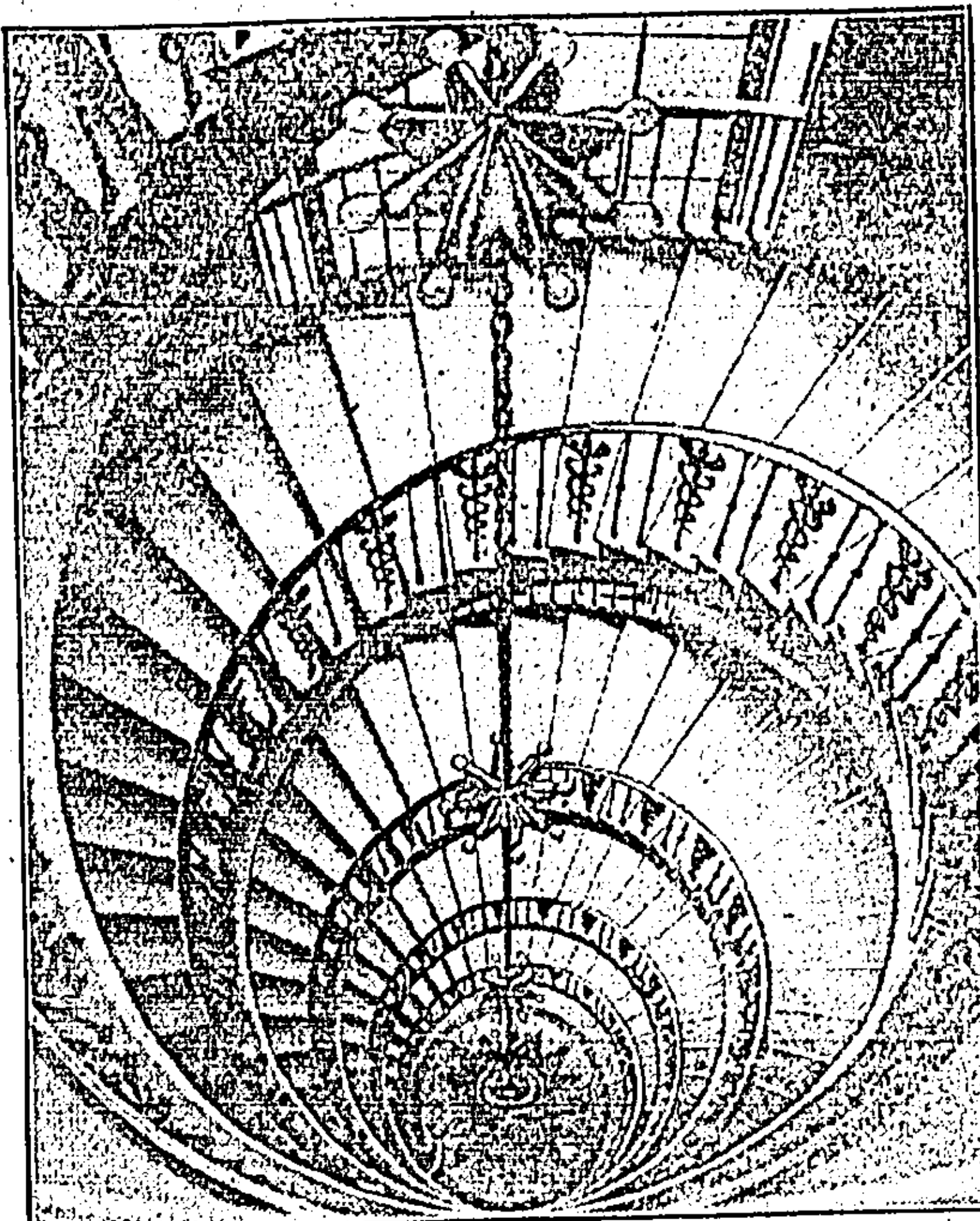
Of all the world's great heroes There's none that can compare (With a low-row-row-row-row-row-row)

To the British Grenadier!

MAGAZINE PAGE

THE CAMERA

Take Photographs From Angles



Can you identify this subject? The answer is below—with other ideas for novel and amusing pictures you can take.

WHEN you run out of ideas for the usual type of pictures—try your hand at unusual pictures.

Look out for novel angle shots, and opportunities for "puzzle pictures." This is fun—and such shots will add novelty to your snapshot album.

There are all sorts of unusual things worth trying. For example, odd lighting effects when you are taking night snapshots. Instead of having your photo bulbs at eye level, put them on the floor for a few shots, so that they shine up toward your subjects, and cast long shadows on the wall. It's a stunt that yields surprising effects.

Try shots at unusual angles. Take a picture from an upstairs window, with a subject directly below you looking straight upward. Try a steep up-angle shot of a tall building. Shoot straight down a stairway well.

The picture above is a shot of a deep circular staircase, taken with the camera pointed almost straight down. You'll agree it makes a novel effect.

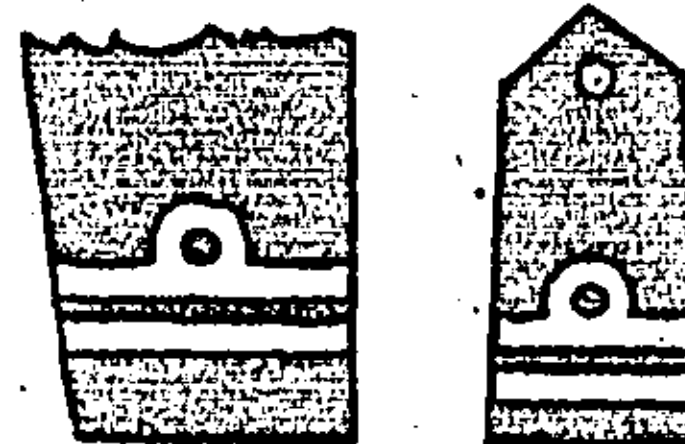
For another stunt, try tricks with perspective. Take a shot of a subject sitting down, with his feet extended toward the camera. If the feet are fairly close to the lens, they will show up absurdly large in the picture.

For shots such as this, use the smallest lens opening on your camera, as you need extra "depth of field." It won't matter if the nearest objects are slightly out of focus, but they shouldn't be too "fuzzy." Try some double-exposure tricks. For example, a close-up shot of a newspaper page—and then a close-up of a person on the same film. Use a dark background for the shot of the person. You can produce some unusual "combination" effects in this manner.

Try all these stunts—and keep your eyes open for other novel picture chances. They'll give added spice to your camera hobby.

John van Guilder

Spotting the Rank



LIEUTENANT

There are more officers of this rank on the active list of the Royal Navy than any other, the total at the outbreak of war being over 1,300. But on the retired and emergency lists there were only 763.

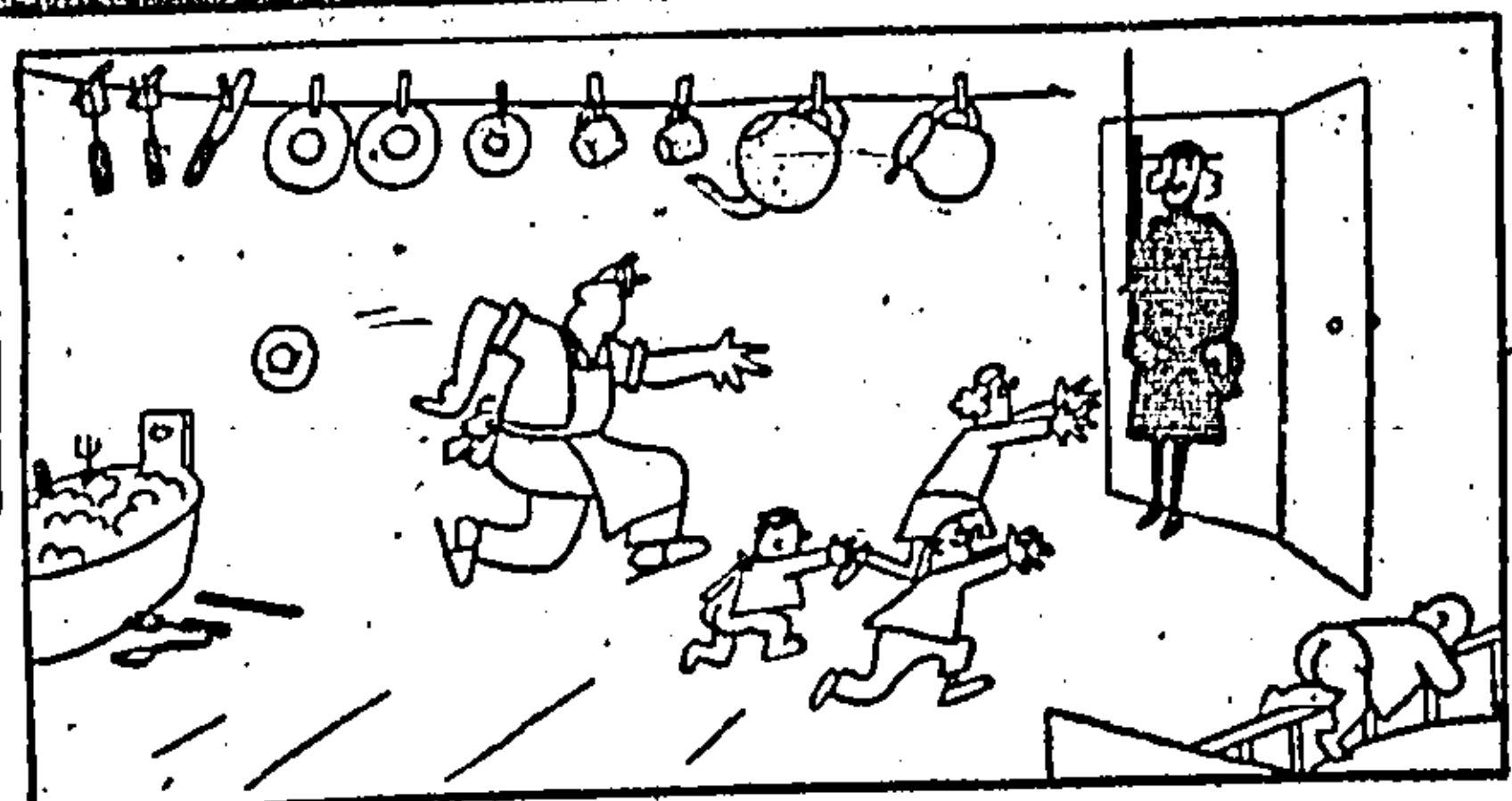
Like Captain, the rank of Lieutenant is derived from the French, by way of the Army. When warships were produced by the simple method of arming merchant vessels and embarking fighting men in them, the officer appointed in command held the military rank of Captain.

When a second officer accompanied him as his deputy, he was given the rank of Lieutenant. Literally this implied "lieutenant in lieu" of the Captain, to whose duties he would automatically succeed if the latter were killed or incapacitated.

Since those early days the introduction of the intermediate ranks of Commander and Lieutenant-Commander has caused the relative importance of the Lieutenant to decline. But this is somewhat mitigated by the fact that he automatically becomes a Lieutenant-Commander after eight years.

German Fun with the A.T.S.

Here are some German cartoons. This time the cartoonists make the girls of our A.T.S. their target.



Mummy arrives home on leave (Kölnische Zeitung)



"Stand at Ease!" (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)

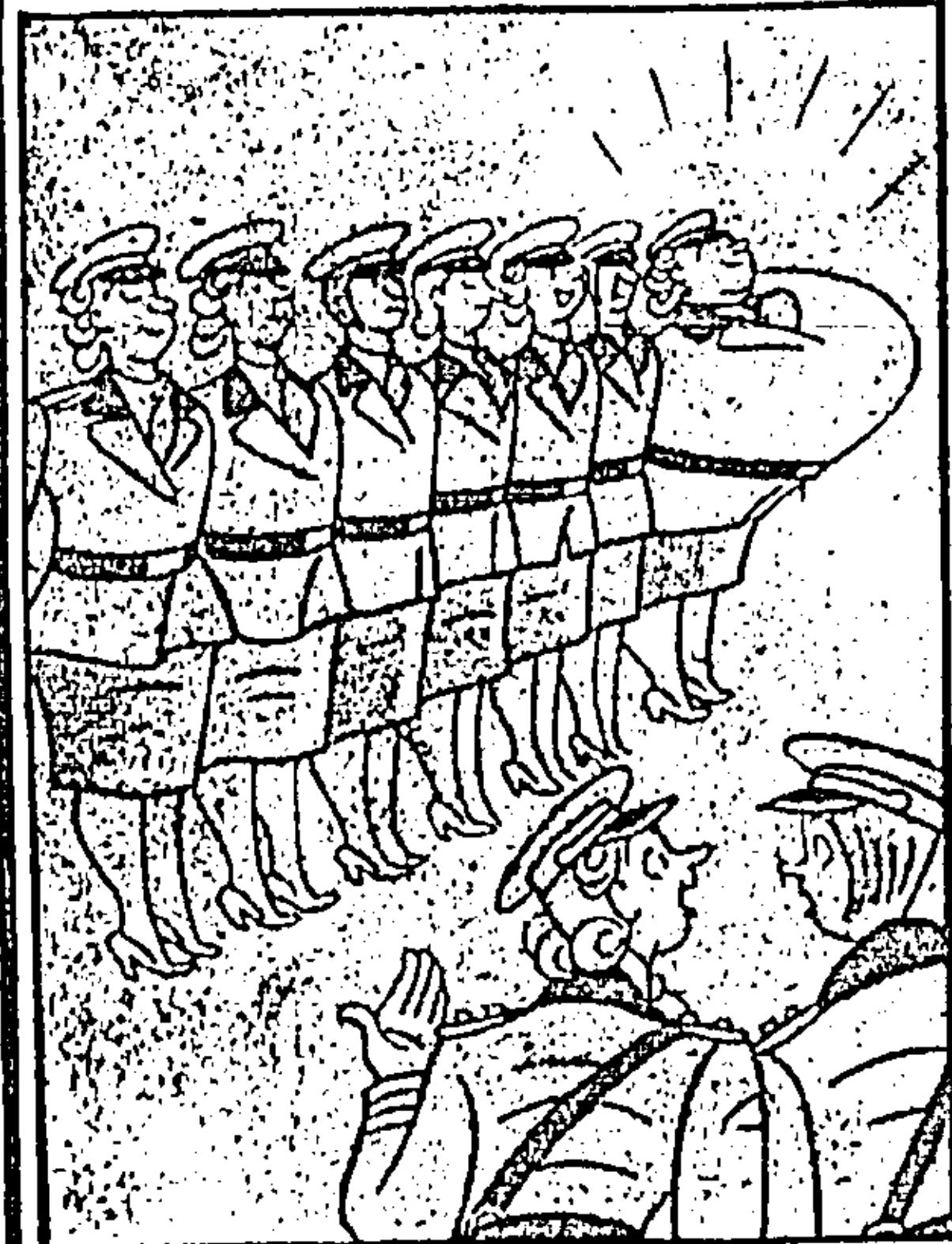


Prophetic Picture: After 12 months in France (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)

Still at her post (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



Experts in the art of Camouflage (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



"We must find her another job. She doesn't suit this platoon" (Lustige Blätter, Berlin)



"It passes the time on sentry duty" (Lustige Blätter, Berlin)

IN one corner of the room Bridget, my youngest daughter, is playing happily with a doll's house.

It is her idea of home-planning, and I know how serious it is, for I have just been called in to help with the decorating.

When I pointed out the bareness of the windows I was told that in her street there was no black-out. The information has set me wondering.

What will the houses of the future look like? They may be camouflaged or even built below ground. Or they may have to withstand nothing worse than bad weather.

But it is of their owners, our children, that I am thinking. It seems unfair to leave them with such a rotten world, and I confess that whenever I see a child with a gas-mask I feel ashamed.

The World Needs God

BY E. R. Appleton

Founder of the famous B.B.C. Sunday evening "Silent Fellowship" broadcasts.

men. They expect to join nations like pieces of a jig-saw puzzle. And I confess that I am suspicious of any plan which starts with World Committees and International Federations.

Sooner or later they get plastered with protocols and tied up with their own bureaucracy. The League of Nations failed because, to quote one of its leading delegates, "there was not enough faith for so big a church."

My own plan deals first with individuals. It includes a simple charter of faith as a guide to the every-day relationships of man with his fellowmen.

For I agree with William Blake when he says that "if people are

not wise the freest government is compelled to be a tyranny." And history shows that the greatest movements are those that spring from the people.

Over-organisation, as we have just seen, can itself be an evil. But the three evils that most affect us to-day are fear, loneliness and oppression. Once we can clear them away we shall see the dawn of our new world.

My plan, therefore, is based upon one idea which has within it the seeds of deliverance from these evils. This idea can be expressed in one word—companionship. It is the sharing of bread.

But the companionship that I mean is like that of the Good Samaritan; it looks upon all people as the children of a loving Giver of Life.

I am not suggesting a vague idealism. Starting with this one

word we have planned in detail, amidst other things, a new system of education, a bridge between denominations, safe guards for the roads, and a new charter for industry.

Our plans have been tested quietly for two years and are now ready to be put into action. Numerous small companies are being formed for study as well as recreation.

But we want an army of helpers—everyone who is ready to be a real companion and particularly those who love little children.

We can expect some people to sneer at our efforts, just as the Pharisees and Sadducees sneered at Nehemiah.

Let us answer them in Nehemiah's own words: "The God of Heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build."

There must be no more black-outs.

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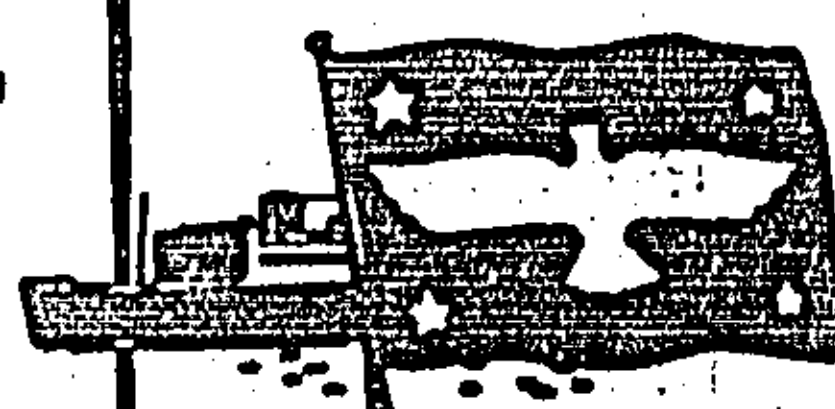
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Slim Your Figure For Spring Frocks

By JACQUELINE HUNT

BEFORE you know it the warmer legs in the air and pedal them up. weather will be here; already the and down as though you were riding shops are showing per little tailored a bicycle. Really push, tensing and suits, crisp organdie and dotted swiss relaxing the muscles as you actually blouses and bushels of gay pastel do. Repeat as rapidly as you can, flowers. Of course you are impatient relaxing occasionally to catch your for a shopping spree, but act wisely breath. After a few days, make this before you buy. Try on spring suits exercise more difficult (and more now if you wish, but do not be benefited) by supporting your weight surprised to find that you've acquired on your shoulders, your hands under hips during the winter. Talk off your hips to raise them in the air, inches and then buy a suit that is This gives quicker results on the hip really flattering to your figure.

New on Stomach

Cut out rich foods, of course. Your complexion will be in better condition for the delicate colour you'll want in the then roll out on your stomach, and accessories and your scales will show extend your arms and legs. Stretch an encouraging drop. But it's hard as far as you can. Relax and stretch work—bending, rubbing and bump—again until every muscle feels limber. ing—that will really show results. Now bend your knees and reach back where you want them. You must be with your arms so you can grasp regular and firm about these hip your ankles. Rock back and forth, reducing exercises. Practice them for keeping your head and chest high. at least ten or fifteen minutes twice This exercise is good for back, shoulders, abdomen and thigh muscles.

Start with the thumping exercises. Even though your tape measure sit on the floor, knees-angled, your doesn't show results after the first arms out at shoulder level or hold few days, you'll see a decided im- directly in front of you for balance, provement in your posture. You'll Now, raising your bent knees from get results in measurements quickly, the floor, rock the body from side to too—if you really work at the exer- side, rolling on the fleshy portion of cises given above. Not only will your your derriere. This reduces other new suit look youthful and smart but devote three minutes of your exercise suit and play-clothes in the spring.

Hips Are Lifted

Now, still sitting on the floor, raise your knees with feet resting flat on the floor. Lean backward, support- ing yourself on your hands. Alter- nately raise one hip, then the other, as high as you can off the floor and bring it down with a firm thump on the floor. The twisting motion as you touch first one hip then the other to the floor is slender- izing to the waistline as well. Your weight during this exercise is sup- ported between feet and hands.

Up on your knees—body and arms stretched upwards. Hold this position throughout the exercise. Bend the body to the right side, pushing your hips out to the left and lower them as much as possible without losing your balance. Return to the first position, bend body to left, lowering right hip. Repeat, alternating, eight to twelve times altogether.

The exercises given are good for fleshy thighs, too, but if your upper legs are too large, try the bicycle exercise. In addition, practising vigorously for three to five minutes of your time. Lie on your back, legs extended. Slowly raise both

With Braid Or Berries

John Frederic's dinner hat in red currants with green net bandeau is shown at right. This hat was one of the new Spring creations shown recently by 48 of New York's leading designers.

Lilly Dache's chignon caplet in bright blue ocellipiano fabric trimmed with dull white braid, below.



Spring Hats In Varied Designs

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—In an effort to wrest the designing laurels from the Paris milliners, and to create hats for and by Americans, a group of 48 New York milliners recently gave a preview of their new spring hats. While the models were not extreme in style or fabric, a high degree of variety and originality was shown.

While almost every type of design was represented, the narrow postillion shape of stiff fabric was one of the most popular. As a development of the turban, which has been so popular this winter and will continue for spring, Lilly Dache exhibited her chignon caplet in bright blue straw fabric with scroll trimmings of dull white braid and daring draped extension at the back of the neck.

Another smart hat was shown by John Frederic—a narrow red braid plateau covered with red currants and dark green bandeau. This could be worn for dinner or late afternoon. Many other models trimmed with berries in natural colour drew ap- plause.

In addition to these designs, a number of wide brims were shown, while a few breton sailors in orange red, a new hat shade, were seen.

Year in and year out, navy blue holds its popularity, and this spring seems to be no exception. While almost every colour of the rainbow was used, it was navy that topped the field. Whether in straw, which accom- modated the most popular medium, felt or any other fabric, navy blue with white trim is sure to be a leading hat colour this spring.

And when buying that new bonnet, you can't go wrong on a turban, for this style is destined to go places this season.

Turbans Are Higher Speaking of turbans, designers forecast more height, more drape and more ornamentation for spring. Light shades with candy striped woollens, followed by chiffon in all the pastels, and inevitably on to practi- cally all spring fabrics. These turbans require earrings, otherwise you are not going to fall for the skinned cat look that their absence produces. They also seem to require considerable weight, jewel- lery preferred, around the throat. One theory for the popularity of these heavy necklaces, bib and otherwise, is that they balance the bustle back. The theory doesn't hold water, how- ever, for such necklaces vastly out- number bustles.

BEAUTY TIPS

When you feel tense or have a headache at the end of a busy day, try some neck relaxing exercises. They won't necessarily cure the headache but they will help by un- kinking taut muscles and nerves and speeding up the circulation. Sit straight in a stiff-backed chair, let your chin drop forward on your chest, then rotate your head lazily to the left and right.

Thoughtful manufacturers of a favourite complexion soap have re- cently put on a zip-ensy opening. There's a perforated band that zips open with a slight pull at the edge of the wrapper—so you need not worry about breaking a nail or marring your nail polish.

Fashions For Men

By BARCLAY SWAIN

ABOUT this time of the year the Speaking of initials, we saw a new suspender people get out their type of very mannish and good look- ing new line. Judging from the latest ing ring of that soft men and also models, men still seem to like braces women. It is called the capital narrow, about a half inch wide, after ring, and seems to be made on elastic colour and with leather tabs the principle of the old horseshoe or metal clips.

The rumorial stripe type and also Solid colours, for some reason, always cut block letters with your initials, seen neater. Without doubt, braces The rings have to be made to size are best to wear. They make your and to order. The ring is silver and trousers hang better than a belt, and the letters are gold. We saw a solid they don't constrict the tummy, gold one on the hand of a well dressed man at the American Ballet.

Initial rings should be worn on the We, however, confess to being old little finger of the left hand, with fashioned. We still like the initials away from you. Initial non-elastic French type, that can be washed, that are soft and have a is in good taste. It should not be pulley arrangement at the trousers ornate and junky. This ring is neat which gives with the body.

Corsets Shape Waists In Long Lines

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—A perfect deluge of fashion shows has descended on the town with many others to come when the imports get here, if they do. Paris openings are on now.

Current collections are about even- ly divided between clothes for the sun spots and for the stay-at-homes. Clothes for everywhere are definitely on the gay side, with more coloured hats than I've ever seen at this season. There is more colour in practically everything, even—corsets, which are a very important part of the current wardrobe. In fact a well-dressed woman needs a corset wardrobe, according to those in- terested.

Black corsets are an old fashion revived. Now come several lovely shades of silvery gray and a deep copperish shade, which is most un- expected and exciting. Several shades bordering on peach, apricot and pinkish beige and sand are also seen.

The case for and against wasp waists is again before the jury. Whether women are for wasp waists depends, apparently, on their conception of the term and the proportions associated in their minds with it. Eighteen inch waists are a rarity; 28-inch waists are about as usual as waist- lines comes. The point is, that fashion demands that the natural waistline be emphasized, the bust- lines elevated and the diaphragm kept under control. In other words, the torso line is long.

These are many more things, too technical for general discussion, to be said about corsets, but it is suf- ficient to say that there must be a corset, that it can and should be comfortable, and that, being made of satin, it is a dainty and pretty garment. Various models open in various places—all collections con- taining some back laced corsets.

Accessory highlight in costume collections for spring is the featur- ing of silver jewellery, often in silvery casts which characterize many of the current costume colours.



This jacket ensemble, in wool in a Copenhagen blue shade, buttons its jacket snugly to accent the small waistline, and the princess line dress in match- ing material has a definitely full skirt for added youth- fulness.

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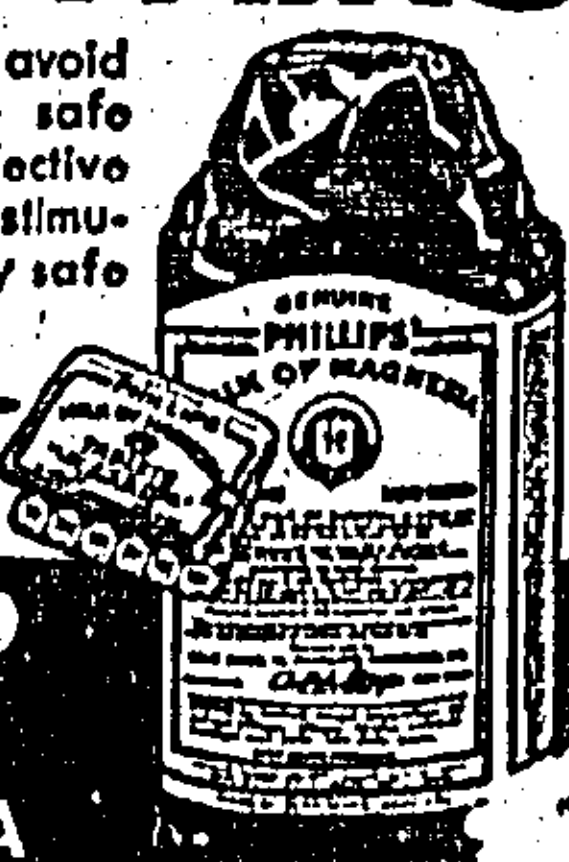
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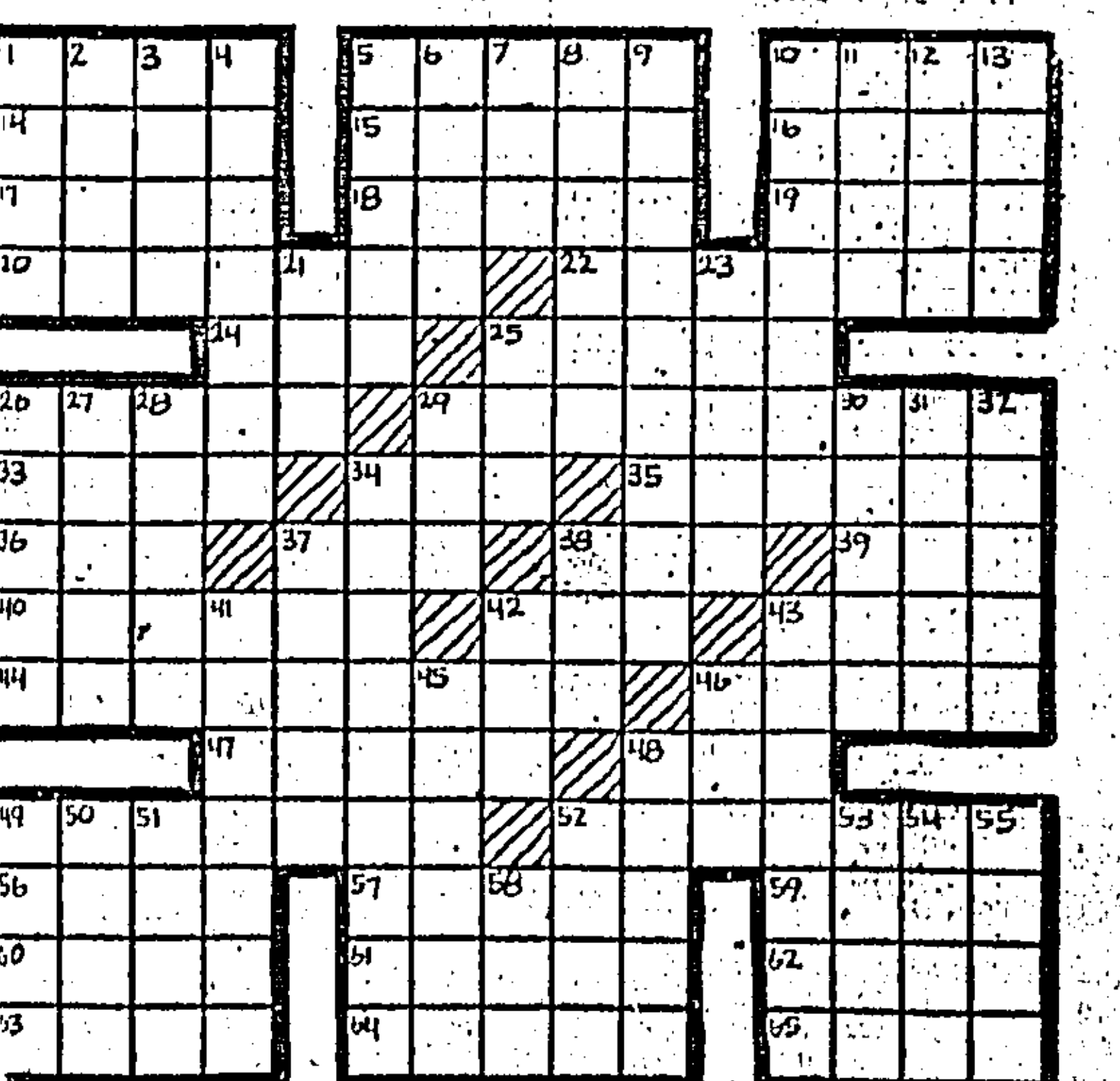
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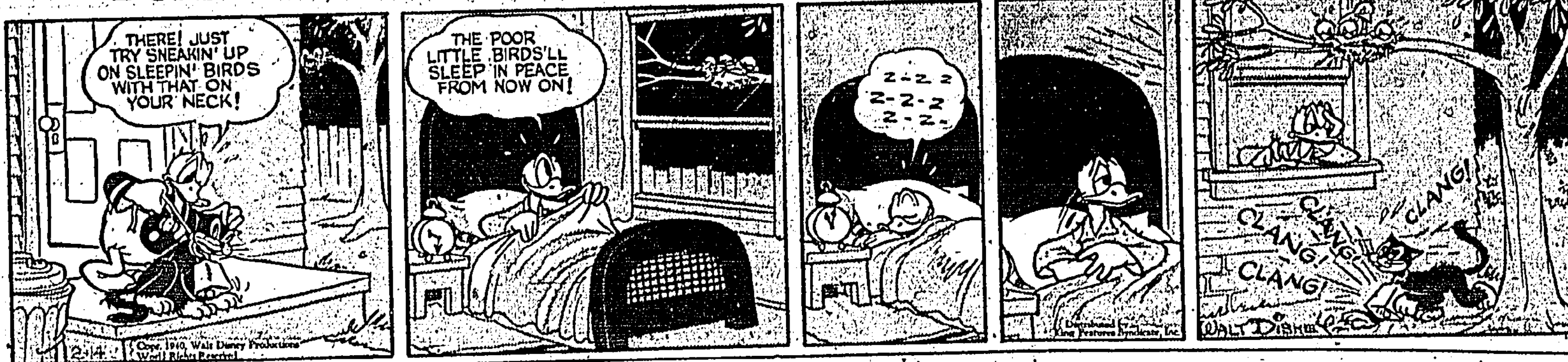
ACROSS
1—Scandinavian mechanical character
2—Kind of weed
3—Landing device
4—Small river-duck
5—Transact business
6—Musical show
7—Trained
8—In virtuous manner
9—Widened
10—Clave money to
11—Team of light
12—Immoderate passion
13—Flick
14—Foot-like part
15—Tried
16—Tide
17—Festive
18—Cherished devoutly
19—Laid open
20—Helped
21—One who catches animals for fur
22—Mimicry
23—Track section
24—Bitter worm in cold climates
25—New York canal
26—Demon

DOWN
1—Unrecovered
2—Above
3—Variety of headless cabbage

4—Not enough up
5—Grain (bale) unit
6—Touched with tip
7—Diminutive of Quille
8—Terminals of intellect
9—Reputed
10—Capital of Georgia
11—Line of
12—Familiar hobnobman
13—Till
14—Flowers
15—Grass for fodder
16—Clout time
17—Scottish memorial
18—Verses
19—Remains of crowd
20—Older
21—Course
22—Horse
23—Swelling place
24—Narrow band
25—Minimal cushion
26—Trick
27—Unusual way to
28—Bra-nymph
29—Drinking counter
30—Flat land-lands
31—Face of horse
32—Pony
33—Tune
34—Verbal
35—Pine
36—Pine embryo
37—Strong brew



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Man who Boasted no Gaol Can Hold Him is Caught by Shopman

STANLEY HILTON THURSTON, described by himself as "the man no gaol can hold," is in a cell at Brixton Prison, after eluding the police for six months. Thurston escaped from Lewes Prison August 9 last. He was captured after a struggle on a pavement in Oxford Street.

Responsible for his arrest was Leslie Pearce, a jeweller's assistant, who jumped on Thurston's back and brought him to the ground as he tried to escape from the police.

Thurston had called at Messrs. Attenborough's, jewellers and pawnbrokers in Oxford Street.

Describing the scene in the shop, the manager said: "Thurston is a powerful-looking fellow, and when he came in and went to our pledge department we had no idea who he was.

"Suddenly two officers came in and closed with him. They asked him his identity.

"In a flash Thurston had vaulted across the counter, had dashed through the shop and out into Oxford Street.

Ran Out Through Another Door

"Pearce saw the man run and darted out of another door to head him off. As Thurston dashed by Pearce sprang on his back and brought him to the ground.

"He was taken into the shop again by the police. He still struggled, and it took four officers to hold him down.

"A taxi cab was called, and he was driven in this to Tottenham Court Road police station."

Later in the day Thurston was brought up at Marlborough Street, and was remanded for a week in custody.

He was charged with having in his possession a woman's pearl and diamond dress-ring, a pearl tie-pin, a compact, a pencil and six medallions, supposed stolen or unlawfully obtained, and failing to give a satisfactory account of them.

MAJOR OFFENSIVE

Likely In Kwangtung And Kiangsi

Chungking, Mar. 28.

Major Sino-Japanese operations are expected to break out shortly in the vicinity of Canton and along the lower West River, probably in the neighbourhood of Sunhai, west of Macao, according to a Chinese military spokesman.

The spokesman predicted an outbreak of major fighting on the south bank of the Yangtze in the vicinity of Kiangling and Nanchang. He said a Japanese force landed on the south bank of the Yangtze on March 24 near Tungluh, below Kiangling, and was pushing southward.—Reuter.



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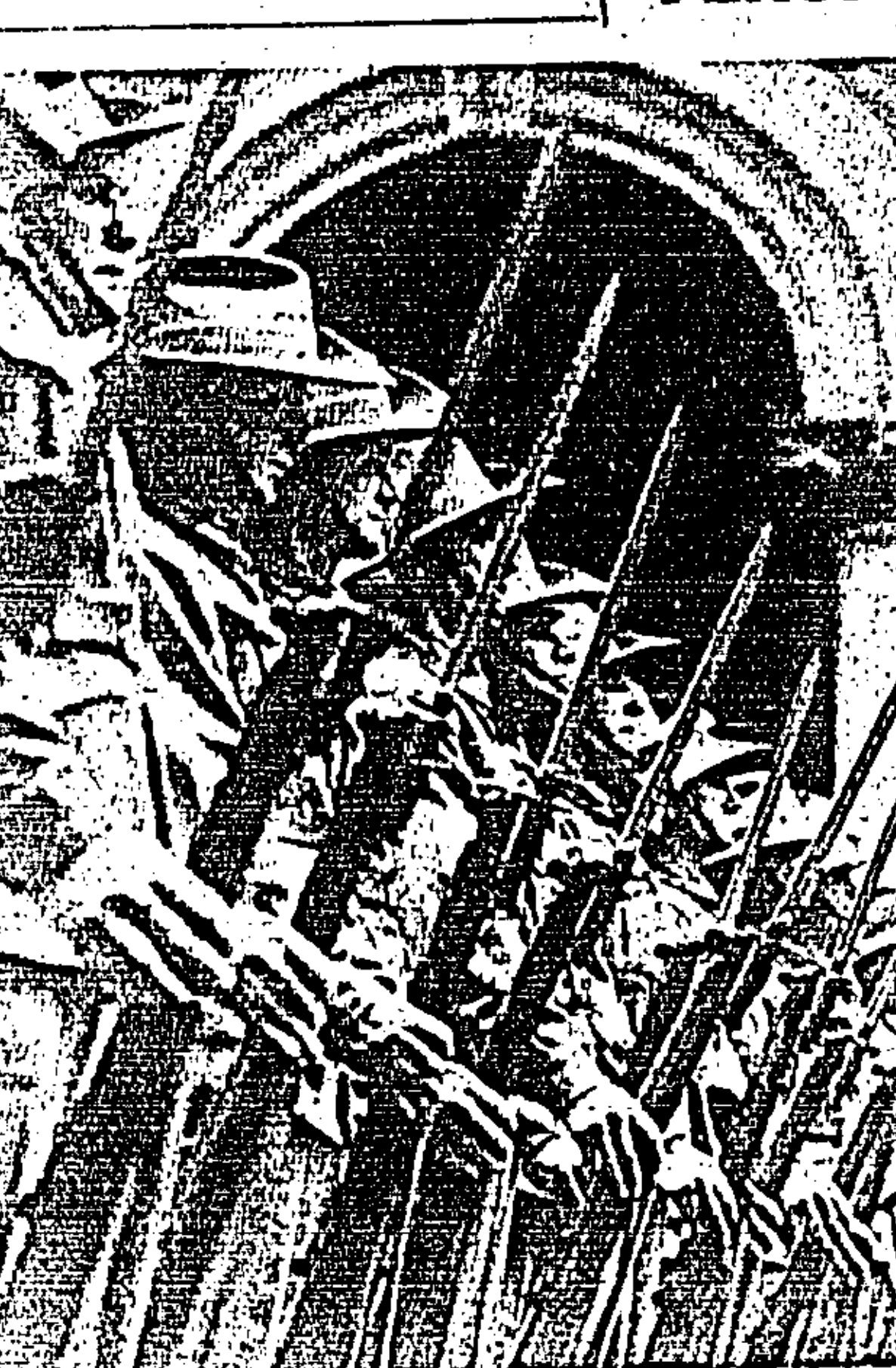
Newspaper scientists are discussing the rival merits of various colours as bromides for war depression.

Dr. Frieling, in the Muenchener Neueste Nachrichten, pumps for yellow as enlarging the vision, and green for its calming effect.

He abominates red because it makes people revolutionary-minded and war-like.

Then why do the Nazi Party wear brown?

DIGGERS PARADE IN MARTIN PLACE



Thurston, smartly dressed in a fawn suit, with a grey overcoat, was described as being aged 28.

When Police-Sergeant Iman had given evidence of arrest, Thurston, seated in the dock, was told by the magistrate to stand up to ask questions.

Thurston: "I don't feel like standing up. I feel rather groggy."

He was allowed to remain seated. Thurston applied for money found on him to be returned so that he could hand it over to a person he had been trying to trace for six months.

Detective-Inspector Frank Long said the police had no objection to £2 10s. being returned, but they objected in the case of £5.

The magistrate directed that the £2 10s. only should be returned at present.

Trying To Get In Touch With Elsie

Thurston: "I am against the law in many ways and I suppose I am a criminal. The person I am trying to get in touch with is Elsie, I would like to see her."

Inspector Long said "Elsie" was the subject of special attention at the moment. She was being detained.

The magistrate told Thurston to make another application at the end of the week's remand.

Thurston, a native of Manchester, was in Lewes Gaol serving sentences of five years' penal servitude for a jewel robbery at Bexhill, and five years' preventive detention as an habitual criminal when he escaped with a companion.

The two men were seen in Lewes High Street at 4.15 a.m., one dressed in singlet and shorts, the other in singlet and trousers, and were mistaken for harriers out for early morning exercise.

Thurston employed a similar method when he escaped from Liverpool Gaol in 1930.

Folded Rug Ruse Did Not Work

He was on the "escape list" at Lewes, so special attention was paid to his cell. At 6.15 on the morning of August 9 a warder peeped in. The door was locked, the prisoner's clothes were lying folded up outside, and there was the form of a sleeping man in the bed.

But the officer was not satisfied. He went into the cell and found that the "sleeping man" was a rug rolled up and covered with the bedclothes.

The alarm was given, and it was found that the cell of another prisoner, Bernard Cresswell Freeman, was also empty, the door having been forced.

Freeman was recaptured at Scarborough after 11 days of liberty.

A sequel to Thurston's escape was the appearance of a 21-year-old single girl named Catterell at East Sussex Quarter Sessions in the name of Mrs. Elsie Thurston, charged with helping Thurston to escape. She was bound over on condition that she went to a home.

IRON ORE SHIPMENTS

Germans Use Small Ships To Hug Coast

Stockholm, Mar. 28.

Scandinavia is watching the developments in Germany with grave anxiety. The situation with grave anxiety. The Germans are reported to be using for transport of this ore from northern Norway small steamers of shallow draught which are able to hug the Norwegian coast closely in order to avoid interception.

Divorced, Re-Wed In 50 Minutes

FIFTY MINUTES after being granted a divorce in Edinburgh Court of Sessions from Tamara Desni, the film star, a baronet's heir was married to Antoinette Cellier, the stage and film star.

The successful petitioner and bridegroom was Mr. Bruce Lovat Seton, 30-year-old heir to Sir Alexander Hay Seton, the tenth baronet. Mr. Seton himself has appeared in films.

His second marriage was performed in an Edinburgh solicitor's office by the old Scottish custom of declaration—in the same way as those performed at Gretna Green.

Almost Beat Reno

Witnesses of the wedding were Frank Cellier, the famous actor, who is father of the bride, and Second Lieutenant Donald Stewart, a brother officer of the bridegroom in the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).

The time which elapsed between the divorce being granted by Lord Stevenson in the Court of Session and the marriage ceremony was a record for Britain and almost equalled that of Reno.

Miss Cellier said that she first met Mr. Seton when they were engaged in the production of the film "Lucky For Me."

"When the date of the divorce hearing was fixed my fiancé telephoned to me in London and asked me to travel to Edinburgh."

"While he gave evidence in the action I waited at my hotel. About 20 minutes after he had gone to the court Mr. Seton telephoned that 'everything is O.K.' We hurried to the lawyer's office."

Lord Stevenson granted Mr. Seton his divorce on the grounds of his former wife's misconduct.

Tamara Desni (her name was given in court as Tamara Wilhelm, otherwise Desni, formerly Brodsky) was born in Russia in 1911, and with her parents fled from the revolution and settled in Germany. When 10 she became a professional dancer.

That same emotion is no longer acted. It's real when Hedy bends down over baby Gene's cot.

"Hedy always longed for a little son, and I'm sure she will now want a baby girl to keep him company," said Mrs. Kiesler.

"I was going to spend Christmas in Hollywood with Hedy and Gene, but the war prevented that."

Nevertheless it was a fine Christmas present to get a cable from his daughter to say that a little son had been born.

Nude Scenes In Film

Hedy Lamarr's first husband, Fritz Mandl, once a wealthy armament king in Austria, denied last week the now famous story that he was so shocked at certain scenes in that early film-hit, "Extase," that he spent a fortune buying and destroying copies of the negative.

Certain shots in "Extase" showed Hedy Kiesler, as she was then called, running across the screen in the nude.

The marriage of Hedy and Fritz Mandl was dissolved, and the star married Gene Markey, Hollywood film writer and director and ex-husband of Joan Bennett.

The Dud Goes Round and Round

STOCKHOLM.—A six-inch unexploded Russian shell, manufactured in Germany, is reported from Helsinki to have been found by the Finns, who may add yet another chapter to its strange history.

The shell, according to marks on it, was sent to Japan a year ago, captured from the Japanese in the fighting in Manchukuo and used by the Russians against the Finns. The Finns may use it against the Russians again. It may go off some time.

Dreaded Jailer Of Nazi Hell Camp

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

"After a long and serious illness, my dear husband and our good father, S.S. Over-Leader Hermann Baranowski."

The "Voelkischer Beobachter" reports that Baranowski died after a long illness.

But his death is being connected with reports, published in the "Schwarze Korps" of attempts at mutiny in Sachsenhausen.

Several S.S. guards and the commander were injured. Baranowski used to send his prisoners to "dark cells" at the slightest breach of discipline.

Almost every day some were hanged from trees by their arms and mercilessly flogged.

The death-rate among them was higher than at any other camp.

COMFORTS FOR AUSSIES ABROAD



The first batch of comforts from Sydney for despatch to the Western front (France). These have been sent by the Active Service Comforts Fund.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR THE RESERVISTS

General Sir Archibald Wavell, Officer Commanding in the Middle East, inspected Australian troops and camps and addressed thousands of men in a hollow square.

Sir Archibald Wavell made a frank, confidential statement on the position in the East, military and political, and referred to the historical interest of the country and to Australia's share in the last campaign over the very ground which stretched miles before the men.

He extolled the quality and fighting endurance of the Light Infantry and the "Lancers" and said, "that you will retain those qualities, and will increase them." He emphasised that the war was against the whole of the German people.

Interviewed, Sir Archibald Wavell said: "They are very fine men. Australians always are. It is pleasant to be in the East, and to see the men who are so similar to the last lot. They are good, hard-bitten types, and look as if they mean business. I am sure they will fight with themselves well. I am proud to have the Australians under me."

The British United Press Gaza correspondent says: General Wavell told the troops: "I see to-day a good, hard-bitten lot like the Australians of the last war. You are fine men, as indeed, Australians always are. I see you mean business, and I am confident you will acquit yourselves well."

General Wavell stayed overnight and discussed with commanders the situation of all troops in the Middle East, by which units can be rushed to any threatened sector to fight as a single war-machine, whether Australian, English, French, New Zealand, Indian or African.

MILITARY TRAINING

BRISBANE.—The War Cabinet is expected to decide shortly that youths of the 10 and 20 year old age groups will go into camp shortly after June this year.

Northern command headquarters has warned those youths born between July 1, 1919, and December 31, 1920, that they have only a week left in which to fill in and forward registration forms.

MEN FROM NEW GUINEA

BRISBANE.—The most picturesque contingent in the Second A.I.F. 66 non-commissioned officers and men from New Guinea has reached Brisbane.

They included miners, plantation owners, school teachers and clerks, and many had travelled by horse, canoe, steamer, aeroplane and on foot through wild jungle country of the Territory to enlist at Rabaul.

The whole of Rabaul turned out to see the contingent as they left. Native police formed a guard of honour and the New Guinea Rifles and returned soldiers lined up as they embarked. The salute was taken by the Administrator (Brigadier General Sir Walter McNichol).

The General Officer Commanding the Northern Command (Major-General II. Wynter) was on the wharf to welcome the troops, and as the ship was berthing a military band on the wharf played "Advance Australia Fair."

Major General Wynter, in addressing the men said: "You're a splendid acquisition to the Second A.I.F."

The men were moved out to Redbank Camp in Australian Army Service Corps transports.

TASMAN AIR SERVICE

SYDNEY.—Inauguration of the trans-Tasman air service may be announced.

Another Trumper

Some good judges who closely follow form and fortunes of the Manly district cricket team believe that the name of Victor Trumper might again appear in a New South Wales eleven. The player they have in mind is the 25-year-old Manly bowler, son of the late illustrious batsman of the same name.

The new Victor Trumper, who was a babe in the arms when his father died, registered a striking performance at University Oval last Saturday afternoon, when he dismissed eight University batsmen at a cost of only two runs. It is true that the University batting is not regarded as strong, but there was nothing wrong with the pitch on Saturday, and two experienced players who witnessed Trumper's performance described it as one far above the ordinary.

"I could say it was the best bit of bowling I have seen this season," said Mr. L. W. Gwynne, honorary secretary of the Manly club, and a former Sheffield Shield player. University representatives also warmly praised the excellence of Trumper's attack.

The performance was achieved in particularly happy circumstances. Manly for the first time, having been chosen to succeed K. Lawson, who is injured.

Trumper, who is 6ft. tall, makes good use of his height, and has a splendid delivery. A feature on Saturday was the manner in which he made the ball lift from the pitch; he freely caused it to swing out, and occasionally bowled one that swung back. His control of length and direction was impressive, and he hit the stumps five times.

Of his other victims were caught behind the wicket, and the remaining one was taken in the slips. Some other "edges" through the slips could not be grasped. Trumper last month took six wickets for 41 runs against Moaman, his victims including S. J. McCabe. He has shown marked improvement this season, and has a splendid record against strong batsmen. Last season he headed the Manly bowling averages, and took 20 wickets; but he has already exceeded that number in the present season. He is of bigger build than his father's mannerisms. He goes in near the end of the batting order, but possesses some batting ability, and would probably improve if he concentrated more upon this department.

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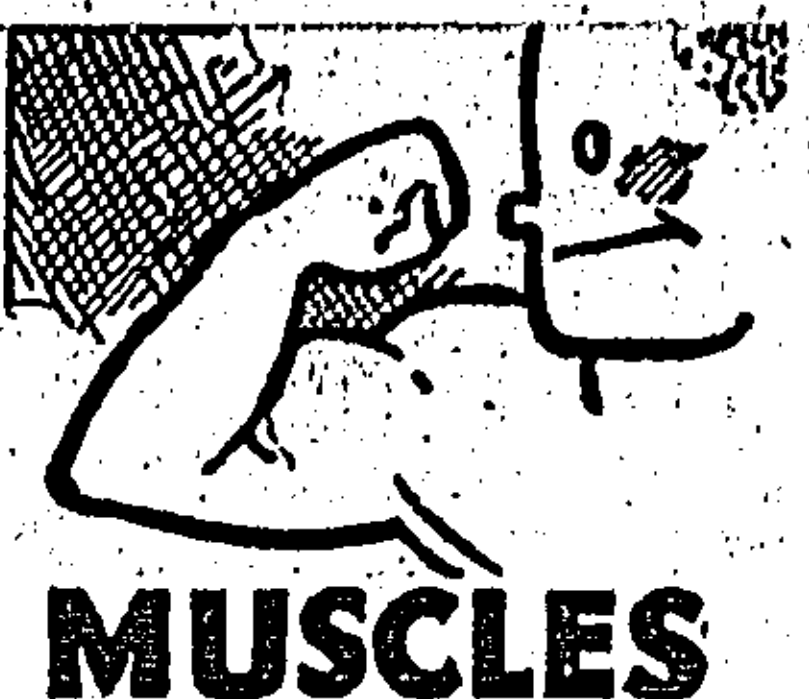
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Food Prices And Cost Of Living

THE cost-of-living index data from the last war, and its introduction then was symptomatic. In war under modern conditions prices must always keep on rising if they are left to themselves. When they have come to pinch the working-class consumer, determined demands are made for higher wages; and these, again, under war conditions cannot long be resisted. But they never permanently overtake prices. For, even if they do so temporarily in a particular instance, the increased spending-power conferred on the workers soon drives the prices higher again. That is the "vicious spiral" which produced the inflation of 1914-18. It caused unemployment in many classes and hardship in nearly all for at least ten years after the war was over.

Most people agree, in the abstract, that we ought now, as far as possible, to avoid repeating it. But how far can we? In "cost of living" there are three main ingredients—food, clothing, and house-room. It is impossible to prevent the costs of the first two from rising at the source. Both are affected by submarine sinkings, by delays in use to convoy, by rising insurance rates, and in the case of clothing by heavy extra demands from the armed forces for uniforms. The question is, how far the State should allow these rises to be borne by the ordinary consumer, and how far it can intervene to divert them from him. Two main lines of intervention are open to it—rationing and subsidy. Rationing checks the price-rise by limiting demand. Subsidy checks it by artificially cheapening supply.

In the last war neither was resorted to until the struggle had been in progress for years. By then the upward movement had acquired a momentum which could not be arrested, though some brakes were put on its acceleration. In the present war, it was inevitable that action should be taken much earlier. Subsidies began about the beginning of last December, and rationing soon after the beginning of this year. According to the full statement made in Parliament by Sir John Simon, the present cost of the milk subsidy is £225,000 a week, of the meat subsidy £320,000, of the bacon subsidy £80,000, of the bread subsidy £480,000. Thus the Exchequer is already contributing £1,105,000 a week to keep down prices to the consumer.

Mr. Keynes has pointed out—and Sir John Simon agrees—that subsidies are not a complete policy, and, unless balanced by others, may even be dangerous. For they encourage consumption, which, generally speaking, needs to be discouraged. Milk and bread can be justified as exceptions—milk because its production still leaves a large margin which, for health reasons, would be better to see consumed in the liquid state; bread, because it is a necessity for the poorest and its cheapening does not cause the better-to-do to eat more of it. But, bacon is rightly rationed, and meat is about to be.

The motive for rationing, of course, is not merely to keep down cost of living, but to secure an equal division of restricted supplies. The question of supplies is primarily one of tonnage, though that of foreign exchange plays also an important part in it. And both are only aspects of a larger proposition, viz., that we can only throw a maximum of the nation's resources into the means for winning the war, in proportion as we reduce to a minimum the demands made on those resources by ordinary civil consumption.



THE TIGER: "You have not offended me in any way. HOW DARE YOU!"

BLITZKRIEG?—the Lowlands are prepared

BY BERNARD MOORE

ONCE more in their long history, a history that has earned for them the title of "Cockpit of Europe," the Lowland countries are standing to arms.

From the mouth of the River Ems to the hilly borders of Luxembourg a million or more men are ready to meet the invasion which they fear threatens them.

More than half of them are Belgians, sons of the men who fought desperately to stem the German advance of 1914, in some cases the men themselves.

The remainder are the Dutch, a people who have known peace for years, but who are resolutely determined to defend the neat farms and tulip fields that are somehow characteristic of Holland's tradition of neutrality.

Once again David faces Goliath.



But both in Holland and Belgium it is realised that the two armies, notwithstanding the assistance their natural defences provide, cannot hope alone to withhold a German advance for more than a limited time.

There is, however, one important factor in the Lowlanders' defence dispositions. Her own history and the tragedies that have befallen small States in the past few years have taught Belgium to prepare for the worst.

Holland, which for 100 years has avoided war, has been kept fully informed by her neighbour of threatening developments. The element of surprise which enabled the Kaiser's Uhlans to stream across the Belgian border in 1914 can now be discounted.

Plan "D" which the Belgian Army Command put into operation during the week-end is the last stage but one in a defence scheme which has been perfected during the past decade by Belgium's military experts.



Already the peace-time Army of 90,000 has swollen to 700,000 men. If it is found necessary to put into operation Plan "E" there will be over 1,000,000 men under arms in Belgium alone.

And they will be a highly trained force, whose members have all served between 12 and 18 months with the colours, undergoing intensive preparation. Belgium has been pushing on with the mechanisation of the land-army during the past five years.

She has the latest tank models and tractor-mounted guns. Her frontiers bristle with ingenious tank traps designed to frustrate any attempt at a Blitzkrieg.

Belgium knows that Britain and France were pledged by the Treaty of Locarno to go to her aid if she were invaded, and although

Locarno is now a dead letter, the undertaking has been renewed. Her main defences, therefore, are designed to check an invading force until such time as help could come.

Along her frontier have been built tiny concrete pill-boxes holding one or two marksmen only. The men who man these pill-boxes have sworn to die rather than let the enemy pass.

Behind the pill-boxes are trenches masked by "asparagus" beds for tanks. Some miles behind the trenches are Belgium's main defences, the rivers and canals.

In the north is the King Albert Canal, more than 100 yards wide, with steep, deep banks. Along its 200-mile long south bank lies a line of low businesslike looking forts whose concrete and steel walls are believed to be capable of standing up to any bombardment.

From Liege, itself heavily fortified, run three lines of similar forts, most important of them being that along the rugged banks of the River Meuse.

Talking of this defence line, one humorist said that anyone trying to break through it would need three suits. One, a climbing outfit to clamber up and down the

steep river banks; then a diver's suit to cross the water; and finally a suit of heavy armour to get anywhere near the forts.

A few years ago Belgium's Air Force was a pathetic handful of rather old-fashioned planes. Today it is still small compared with the armadas of the Great Powers, but its commander, Major-General Duvivier, regards it as a swarm with a vicious sting.

Holland's fighting forces, perhaps because they have not fought for so long, are something of an unknown quantity. Last time the Dutch fought in Europe was in 1813, when they conducted a brief 10 days' campaign in connection with the separation of Belgium from Holland.



Her peace-time strength at home is some 10,000 troops in four divisions, with an overseas army of 40,000, for, don't forget, Holland has an extensive Empire.

To-day, she has something under half a million men under arms, with mobilisation only partially completed. They have all seen service under the Colours, for Holland has compulsory military service. Like the Belgians, they have been

intensively trained, and Holland's Army Chief, Major-General I. H. Reynders, has worked out a plan of defence particularly suited to the country.

The system of flooding is well known; not so well known are Holland's skating infantry, armed with Mannlicher carbines, who may one day play the same role in Holland that the crack skiers of Finland are playing to-day.

Unlike Belgium (which has one fishery protection vessel) Holland has a fleet.

It consists of five cruisers carrying 6-inch guns; one coastal defence ship (11-inch guns), eight destroyers (with four buildings), 21 torpedo boats (with 32 buildings), 21 submarines (with nine buildings), and a number of minelayers and minesweepers.

Her fleet is ninth largest in the world.



Almost as important as the Army is the potential defence force provided by the Dutch population.

All civilians between the ages of 18 and 60 are liable to be called upon to assist the military authorities.

They may be called upon to repair damaged roads, bridges and railways damaged by bombs; to build or pull down fortifications; to build or dig watercourses, help in the reinforcement of dykes and canal banks.

Like Belgium, Holland's Air Force is small but efficient, consisting largely of the famous Fokker planes.

These are the armies, small but highly-trained, equipped with the latest weapons of war, which wait for any German move against their countries.

Latest news from the Lowlands is more reassuring. But, even if this crisis blows over too, the Lowlanders, armed and resolute, will watch and wait.

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

Ally and Enemy Personnel

By LEWIS SPENCE

Thrice Armed

THOUGH the war of action has begun, the "War of Nerves" has by no means ended. In view of this it behoves us to make a careful survey of the qualities of our allies and our foes as fighting-men, their military psychology, lagging powers, and physical make-up, so that we may arrive at provisional conclusions concerning the reliability of each as a factor to be reckoned with.

And first, the French. As a soldier the French poltroon varies considerably from one generation to another. The Europe of Louis XIV's time regarded him much as does the German to-day, as a rather ferocious and merciless enemy, overbearing, and somewhat prone to looting. The French grenadier of Napoleon's day was usually a stout, hard-boiled fellow, tough as hickory, and accustomed to regard his opponents with contempt. The script of the Franco-Prussian War, to judge from all accounts, required a good deal of encouragement at the beginning of a fight, and occasionally lost heart, but it under dashed leadership, was bold and lion-like at attack.

The poltroon of to-day is a cool, collected young fellow, lithe and much better developed physically than the French soldier of a quarter of a century ago. The force now in action is by far the most intelligent and enlightened army which France has ever put in the field, indeed in some respects it might be called an "Army of Intellect."

And there is this to be remembered: no public is so liberally educated in the political sense as the French. It realises precisely for what it is fighting, and a people which knows that in all ages no troops in Europe have ever been the equals of the French in technical knowledge and use of their weapons, be these swords, matchlocks, Lewis-guns, or modern artillery.

The German is a good, handy soldier as regards weight, romantically courageous, and with an almost adolescent sentiment about military glory. His sense of esprit-de-corps is high, but is apt to partake of the nature of herd-instinct, and the best among them are determined fighters. In his first years of military life he is, usually, carefree and good-natured, but a year or so of soldiering seems to make him sullen and dour. He imbibes the Prussian military tradition, which is a callous one and comes to regard himself as a cruel tooth in a great and relentless harrow.

The sense of personal enterprise among the German peasant rank and file is almost nil, that to be found in the city battalions being only a little more developed. As has been said by a keen observer, there is "a suicide flash-point" in the character of the German townsman, a tendency to sudden psychological breakdown and despair when confronted with precisely those overwhelming conditions which bring out the best qualities of the Briton.

Unimaginative Leaders

No population has been so subjected of the doctrines of morbid psychological theorists and pseudo-philosophers, as that of the great German cities, and this has induced in them a keen sense of the tragedy of existence. The modernist tendencies in thought of the hyper-civilised communities of Germany are apt to produce what the German himself calls "brain-sickness" and a belief that the world is very much what Mrs. Gamp called "a wale of sorrow"—by no means the best philosophy for a fighting man, even if he be intoxicated by Nazi enthusiasm.

I fully believe that the German soldier has nearly always been hampered by a wholly unimaginative leadership, bound to hard-and-fast strategic dogmas, which makes no provision for unforeseen occurrences, in such-and-such circumstances.

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A Look Through
The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1890.
The increased immorality and degeneracy of the partially concealed over the nudely exposed was once more exemplified in the unctuously played opera Olympia show in London, where a lady scrobbled equipped in the ordinary feminine garb turned somersaults from the shoulders of one male companion to another "with great neatness, revealing little of her lower extremities."

Our latest Australian advices inform us that poor old Mr. Australia who ran a shooting alley with distinguished success for several months, about eight years ago, has lately opened classes in Sydney "to instruct ladies and gentlemen in the art of using fire-arms." It is a specialty, it is said, that the "revolver" is a specialty. It was a curiosity in his way but he with Liberland Canard, who at one time was partner with Keller, the best man at legerdemain Hongkong has ever seen.

The Prince of Monaco recently promised his wife to close the gambling bank if another suicide occurred. The suicide has happened, but the bank is still open.

25 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1915.
The official German account of the Russian raid on Memel says the Kaiser's son, Prince Joachim, accompanied the troops which liberated the town.

"Reuters" correspondent at Vienna states that the civil population at Cracow has been ordered to leave the city immediately, in expectation of a siege.

10 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1930.
The German Government has resigned owing to differences between the Party leaders and the Government on the financial programme.

A number of the important West German steel concerns are being merged to form a new company with a total capital of Mks. 3,000,000. The combine is capable of producing annually half a million tons of raw steel. The Vereinigte Stahlwerke (the German Steel Trust) and Thyssen are represented on the Board of the new company. (Thyssen, who controlled this big combine, is now a refugee from Nazism.—Ed.)

Hostilities between the Nationalist and anti-Nationalist forces have broken out in Honan, near Chingchow, following the Nationalist evacuation of the city. The retreating Nationalist forces are being pursued by the Kuomintang troops. While it is admitted by official circles in Nanking that the Chinese Kai-shek regime is facing a serious military crisis, threatening the overthrow of the Government, Marshal Chiang is quoted as saying that he is confident of the success of the Nationalist forces. The Kuomintang Leftist, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, known for his former association with M. Borodin, has issued a public proclamation which is published in Chinese newspapers in Nanking and Peking stating that he fully supports Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, Mr. Wang suggested that Marshal Yen should proceed immediately to Peking and there establish an anti-Nanking Government. Mr. Wang's programme is regarded as a serious political rupture to secure the sympathy of the Shansi militarists.

5 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1935.
The King has approved the appointment of Mr. John D. Butcher, Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, in succession to Lord Desborough who term of office expired on March 28. Lord Desborough is at present engaged on a farewell tour of Western Canada. Buchanan, who is an accomplished man of letters, is the first commoner to be appointed Governor General of Canada. (Lord Tweedmouth (John Buchanan) died recently.—Ed.)

With Mr. J. D. Butcher's departure for home by the Blue Funnel liner Agamemnon yesterday, Mr. V. Sorby has assumed the duties of Governor of Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., with which he has been associated for over thirty years.

INFANTRY, AIRCRAFT
ACTIVITY

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planes and anti-aircraft guns. Successful reconnaissance flights were also carried out over the North Sea. "British bombers attempted to attack German outpost ships in the Heligoland Bight. They dropped a number of bombs which all missed their targets and fell into the water. They were forced to fight by German pursuit planes and one British Bristol-Blenheim was brought down after which all the others took flight. All the German planes as on the previous day, returned without losses.

Raids Over Germany

"During the evening and night of March 27-28 a number of enemy planes flew over northern and western Germany. In the Elbe district one British plane was brought down in flames by German A.A. guns. The crew parachuted and escaped by parachute and have been made prisoners.

"Hostile planes in several instances again violated the neutrality of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, both on their outward and homeward flights."

Nazi Artillery in Action

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Considerably more German artillery activity than is customary occurred yesterday in the regions of the East of the Saar and the Vosges. Long-range fire was concentrated on the woods and points in the French lines.

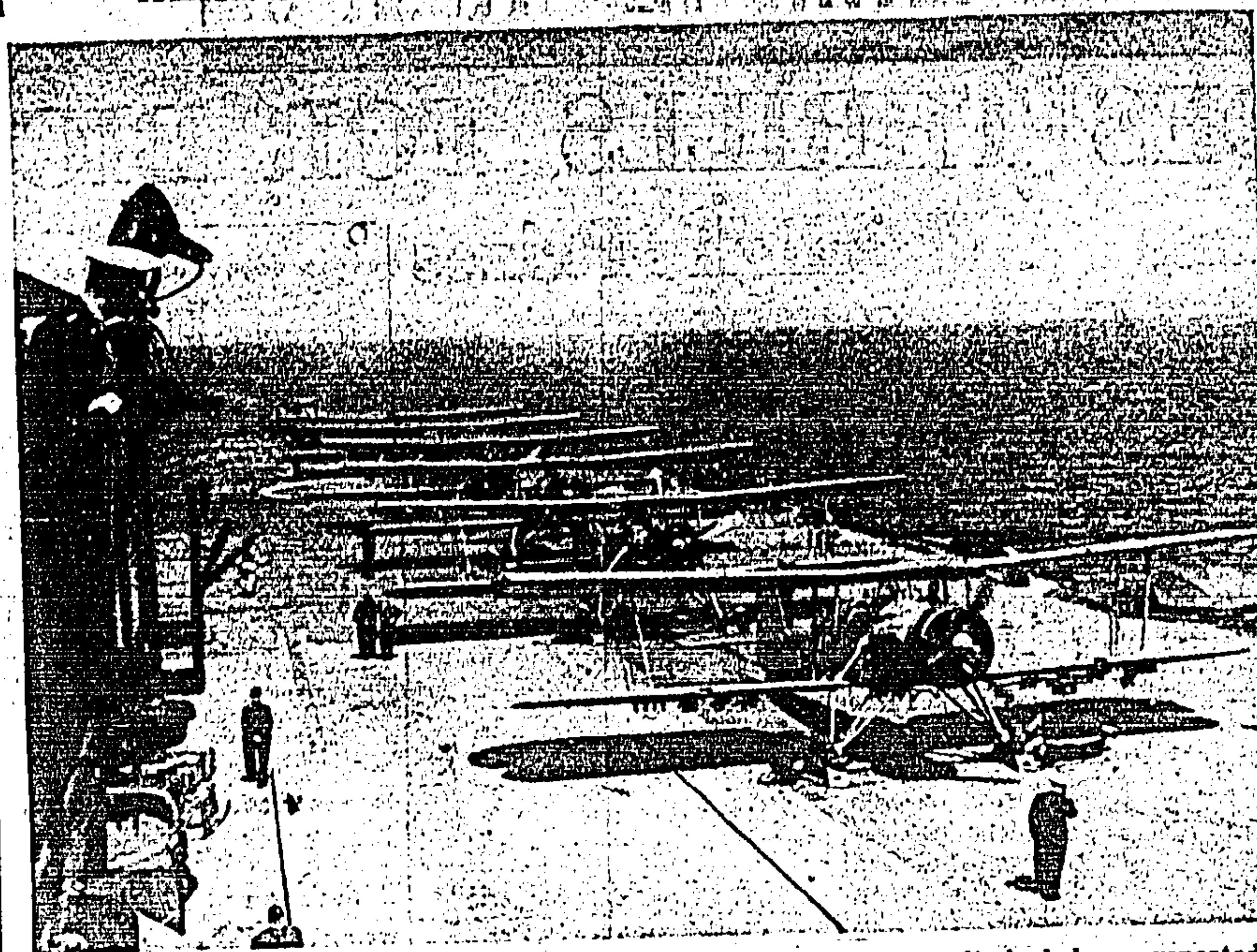
The French, however, retaliated to a similar extent and the exchange reached considerable proportions for some time.

Both sides sent out patrols and there were some encounters in No-man's-land.

Drury Lane Theatre
Puts On War Show

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Drury Lane Theatre has re-opened for the first time since the war started. The first performance was a farce, "The King's Ransom," and the screen stars entertaining 2,000 officers, sergeants and men and women of the anti-aircraft command. "During the performance, a telegram from the King was read. It was a reply to the greetings sent him from the audience.

HERE'S THE SHIP THAT GOEBBELS SUNK



Nazi propaganda was given a nasty slap in the eye when, after it had been repeatedly claimed that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had been sunk by the Germans, the warship turned up safe and sound, first in Cape Town and now this last week in an English port. This interesting picture shows aircraft lined up ready to take off from the flight deck of the Ark Royal.—Crown Copyright.

Canadian Elections

Govt. Wins In
ProvincesSocial Credit Party
Returned

EDMONTON, Alberta, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The Social Credit Government, led by Dr. Abernethy, the 61-year-old Bible teacher and religious broadcaster, has been returned to power in the provincial election. The latest reports on the voting state that the party are as follows: Social Credit 29, Independent 17 and Labour one.

The Social Credit candidates are leading in nine other constituencies and the Independents in one.

British Press Reactions

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The Canadian elections were the subject of leading articles in the British Press to-day. The "Times" says that even those who were critical of and distrusted the government preferred to leave the conduct of the war in their hands. "Daily Herald" comments that the various "Stop-the-war" candidates were annihilated. Canada has given an overwhelming demonstration of her resolve to stand beside Britain in the fight for freedom. The same view was expressed by the "Manchester Guardian" and the "Yorkshire Post."

KING APPROVES
APPOINTMENT

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—His Majesty the King to-day approved the appointment of Sir Ian Colquhoun as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Sir Ian, who is 53 years of age, is the Chief of his Clan and Lord Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire. He was appointed Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1932. He is also the Lord Rector of Glasgow University, a position which he has held since 1934. Sir Ian served in the Great War.

Refuse To
Meet Germans

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—A flat refusal to meet German representatives on neutral territory in war-time was given by French industrialists in response to the invitation to participate in the conference of the International Chamber of Commerce.

The French National Committee of the International Chamber issued a denial to the Press of reports alleging the presence of authorised French delegates, and pointed out that its refusal to send delegates to The Hague was notified some time ago in agreement with the French Government.

Concentrating On
War Effort

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The way in which the British Motor industry is concentrating on work for the Army and Air Force and how Britain is going all-out for petrol rationing is shown by the figures for last month's registrations.

Less than 10,000 cars were registered for the first time, as compared with 34,000 for February, 1939.

REAL WAR TO START
IN SPRING

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(Air), who were accompanied by M. Corbin M. Alexis Leger, General Gamelin, Admiral Darlan, General Vuillemin and General Koeltz. Great Britain was represented by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Mr. Winston Churchill (First Lord of the Admiralty) and Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister), who were accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Admiral Sir Dudley Pound and General Sir Edmund Ironside.

The Prime Minister expressed gratification at being able to greet M. Reynaud for the first time as President du Conseil.

Joint Declaration

The Council passed in review developments in the strategic situation since their last meeting and decided on future line of action. In the light of the results achieved by the agreement of last December signed by Sir John Simon and M. Reynaud, and, desiring to extend the scope of this agreement to all spheres affecting the interests and security of the two nations, the two governments have agreed to the following solid declaration:

"The Government of the French Republic and His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom mutually undertake that during the present war they will neither negotiate nor conclude an armistice or treaty of peace except by mutual agreement. They undertake not to discuss peace terms before reaching a complete agreement on the conditions for an effective and lasting guarantee of their security."

"Finally they undertake to maintain after the conclusion of peace a community of action in all spheres for so long as may be necessary to safeguard their security and to effect reconstruction with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which will ensure the liberty of peoples, respect for the law and the maintenance of peace in Europe."

Political Circles Impressed

ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The communiqué issued after the meeting of the Supreme War Council is regarded in political circles as the most far-reaching and solemn declaration of unfinishing solidarity made by the Allies since the outbreak of war. On the face of it, it is said, the communiqué plainly conveys that the Allies will not take the initiative in any peace talks.

Political circles feel that such a categorical announcement of unfinishing solidarity would not be acceptable peace proposals, and the feeling becomes stronger that spring must inevitably witness the clash of arms that the whole of Europe has been dreading.

The Anglo-French undertaking to act as one nation not only in war but in all fields of political settlement after the war is described as disposing of all controversies between Britain and France regarding war aims.

Canadian Red Cross
Presents Ambulance

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The Canadian Red Cross has presented an ambulance for the use of Polish troops in France.

The presentation was made to the Polish Ambassador in London by Mr. R. V. Bennett, the former Conservative Premier of Canada, on behalf of the Canadian Red Cross.

COUNT TELEKI
GOES HOME

ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, has left for Budapest.

Allied Economic Mission

Success Now
AssuredImportant Agreement
Reached

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—It is predicted here that the almost complete success of the Allied Economic Mission of Mr. G. Ashton-Gwatkin and M. Charles Rist will be announced in the immediate future.

Arrangements are said to have been reached, among other things, for:

- (1) Resumption of British purchases, on a small scale, of American tobacco and fruit;
- (2) Establishment of a control station on the eastern coast of Canada;
- (3) Perfection of the navicert system regarding American ships;
- (4) Permission for certain German products, which the United States cannot purchase elsewhere, to pass through the Contraband Control. Britain is reported to have taken an unalterable firm stand on the question of censorship of mails.

Guaranteed War-Time Needs

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Arrangements have now been completed to ensure the import for the next 12 months of all that Britain needs as well as all to be bought for normal re-export.

Contracts have been made by the Ministry of Food and private firms will be able to import under licence only.

All Government purchases are being made from the Empire as a gesture for conserving foreign exchange because the Empire products take up less space in ships.

SENTRIES GUARD
FISHING FLEET

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Armed sentries were placed on guard over all neutral cargo and fishing vessels at Grimsby, Hull, to-day. At this port and also at Scottish east coast ports all crews of neutral vessels are forbidden to go ashore and no one from the shore is allowed to visit the ships.

It is understood that these developments are in connection with the tightening up of the regulations which govern the movement of foreign seamen. A new drive against the leakage of information which might be useful to the enemy is believed to have been inaugurated.

FINNS GIVEN
NEW HEART

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The formation of a new Finnish Government has put fresh heart into the Finns.

They were at first stunned by Russia's moderate demands for Helsinki is now coming back to normal. There are more people in the streets while the hotels, cafes and cinemas are doing better business. The new Cabinet has been well received.

The Cabinet is considered to be an organization of specialists well fitted to carry out the reconstruction programme.

Greece Reinforces
Her Defences

ATHENS, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The defences of Greece have recently been reinforced. It is learned that the Metaxas Line, named after the Greek Dictator General Metaxas, now includes 2,000 concrete defence works.

Allied Forces
In Near East
Desert Fighters
Co-Operate

CAIRO, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The training and co-ordination of Allied forces in the Near East are progressing at an accelerated tempo.

The first combined manoeuvres between the British, Indian and Egyptian armies began in Egypt yesterday. The Trans-Jordan frontier force is combining with Emir Abdullah's Arab Legion for the first time.

The exercises, which will last a week, will extend over the whole of Trans-Jordan and the once fierce desert raiders, who now form a disciplined and loyal desert patrol, will have their first experience of co-operation with British troops staged with all the realism of war.

Staff College Set Up

An emergency Staff College for British officers has been inaugurated in Palestine and Staff courses are already in progress.

Voluntary recruiting of Palestine Jews for service in France is steadily increasing.

Large numbers of Britain's young yeomanry army are arriving in Palestine for training and have acquitted themselves well, earning the praise of veteran troops.

The more settled conditions in Palestine have enabled British troops to get down in earnest to real training for the first time in two years.

BRITISH PLANE SHOT
DOWN BY DUTCH

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probable that it was able to reach its base.

British Machine Damaged

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—A Hudson reconnaissance machine returned to its aerodrome in East Scotland with its port engine out of commission after a successful encounter with two Dornier machines. Despite a damaged engine, the pilot made a magnificent landing.

The air gunner said that they kept up a running fight for about half an hour, and when they turned back, smoke was pouring from the one on which they had concentrated.

The British machine was in a steep climb when a burst of fire caught the port engine.

Nazi Plane Over Shetlands

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—A plane, believed to be German, was seen over the Shetland Islands to-day.

British fighters went up and the air raid warning siren sounded for about 20 minutes.

It is believed that no bombs were dropped.

British Success

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—British aircraft to-day shot down an enemy machine off the north-east coast of Scotland.

Four Planes Lost

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—In the past two or three days the Royal Air Force has lost four planes.

Two failed to return from a flight over north-west Germany and Heligoland light on Wednesday.

Another Hurricane was shot down during air battles on Tuesday. The pilot saved himself by means of his parachute.

The fourth plane was a Bristol Blenheim bomber. It crashed in Holland yesterday after being intercepted by Dutch pursuit planes.

New Air Service

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The Royal Dutch Air Lines will shortly start a service between Amsterdam and Lisbon and Oporto. This service will connect with the Pan-American trans-Atlantic service between Portugal and America.

No Investigation
Into Plane Sales

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Following the War Department's categorical denial that the sales of war planes to the Allies interfered with the United States armament programme, the Senate Military Affairs Committee have decided by five votes to four against conducting an investigation into such sales.

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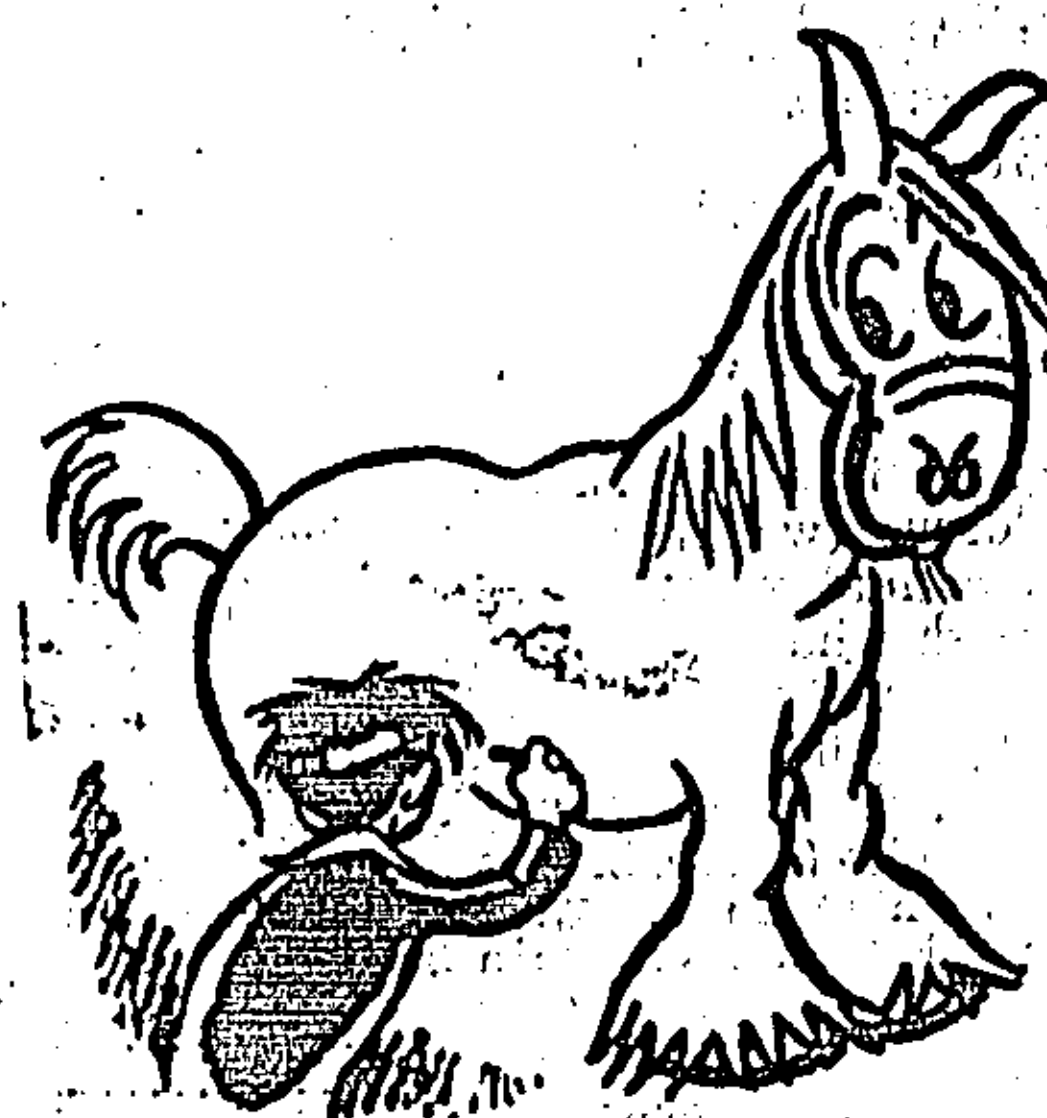
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More Australians For Hongkong

A notice by the Hongkong Jockey Club has been received inviting members to subscribe for Australian ponies to be raced in 1941, and it is interesting to relate that the list is limited to 125, which is double the last consignment.

It will be recalled that this year's batch consisted of 61 ponies and there were three sections of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, each having 10, 15 and 14 runners respectively at the big meeting. If fully subscribed, which I am positive it will, it is no exaggeration to predict that we will have four or five sections at 1941 annual meeting. The cost is \$700 per pony, but ladies who are not lady racing members of the club must be duly nominated before their names can be added to the subscription list.

This intended lot of 125 ponies plus the 50 of a superior class mentioned in my notes of March 8, would give us a total of 175 new animals from the Antipodes and it can be safely said that the events for China ponies at the 1941 Annual Carnival will be in the minority.

MARBER HEADS LIST OF WINNING OWNERS

IT SEEMED that Mr. B. W. Bradbury's (who is on the high sea to South Africa) stable could not go wrong at the Easter Meeting, for he has collected a total sum of \$2,100 contributed by Hughber, Jobber, Johnber and Wilber. The performance of Johnber in the opening event, the Mira Bay Stakes, was amazing because he beat the much fancied O-Lan (Mr. Needa) by one and a half lengths in 1.59 flat for a mile run, and we should, therefore, take a note of the Marber's candidate as a mudlark.

I was delighted to see Mr. A. H. Penn's Valorous (well known performer on a muddy course) eluding through the heaviest track in years after a terrible downpour, and with the able assistance of Mr. Trevorton, the combination won the Gin Drinkers Bay (half a mile) in 1.05%. Valorous is the oldest racer on the

Marber's	Hughber	3300	
	Jobber	600	
	Johnber	600	
	Wilber	600	\$2,100
L. Dunbar's	Confusion Bay	525	
	Dupont Bay	600	
	Mount Hope Bay	200	1,325
T. K. L's	O-Lan	900	
	Onang	400	1,300
Eu Tong-sen's	Rose Emily	600	
	Springhurst	600	1,200
Lucky's	Lucky Lady	600	
	Some Hope	200	
	Sydney Lad	300	1,100
Kong Brothers'	Gay Star	600	900
	Hopeful Star	300	
H. Leigh's	Guinness Time	900	
Cocon's	King Kong	600	
	Violet Queen	200	800
S. L. K's	Celtic Star	750	
L. Rely's	Many Thanks	600	
Diamonds'	White Diamond	600	
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H. and H's	Far View	600	
Quartermaster's	Burford	525	
Lan's	Peaceful View	300	500
Unicorn's	Phoenix	450	
Manetta's	Chatterbox	450	
Li Po-chun's	Distinctive Time	200	
	This Time	200	400
Ash's	Rowan	300	
C. N. K's	Radium Star	300	
Yam Man's	Australian Prince	300	
Dr. Lee Shiu-keo's	Portrush	300	
Huo's	Franklin	300	
S. W. Lee's	West Lake	300	
H. Y. Liang's	Perola d'Oriente	300	
H. and W's	Advancing Time	300	
Birds'	Sparrow	200	
V. M. Grayburn's	Avon	200	
J. G. Whittaker's	Clover	200	
Neerlandia's	Flying Dutchman	200	
Sunnyside's	The Tigress	200	
P. M. Hoo's	Terzan	200	
Violet's Chim's	Lancashire Lass	200	
M. H. T's	Double Chance	200	
Wooton's	Fair Chance	200	
Miss Li Po-chun's	Red Feather	200	
G. Tinson's	Vixen Tor	200	
Fans'	Laughing Girl	200	
			\$22,300

Open Doubles Matches Yesterday

Very mediocre fare was provided in the two doubles encounters in the championships at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday.

Pang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu proved much too steady for J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet and won 6-2, 6-2, and I. and B. Agaruff suffered the same fate at the hands of Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan, who won 6-3, 6-3.

In the Club handicap H. J. Armstrong conceded S. M. Garrard a walk-over. In the handicap mixed doubles J. S. Theobald, and Mrs. Churchill, (-15.2) beat P. Wynter-Blyth and Miss B. Fair (Scr) 6-2, 9-1. In the Club handicap doubles, Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson and Capt. Hobbs (-2.0) beat F. MacLeod and F. S. Hall (1.0) 6-0, 6-0.

Close Finishes And High Prizes In The Cash Sweeps

WE MUST THANK the Weather Clerk for providing punters with glorious sunshine on Easter Monday with the result that a bigger crowd turned up on the second day of the Easter Meeting than the first.

Racing was of a very high standard and there were several close and exciting finishes. This, of course, spoke very highly of the distribution of the avoidupois by the handicapper, who had a hard problem in weighting together the old ponies and the griffins of this season. The best work was seen in the Easter Stakes over a mile, when the judges could not separate the champion, Burford, (Mr. Pih) and Confusion Bay (Mr. Black) for the first position in the frame.



FAR VIEW'S FIRST DEFEAT

Sapper Nicely Handled By W. H. S. Davis

THE RESULT of the Albury Handicap confined to "A" class Australian ponies was Sapper (Mr. Davis), Far View (Mr. Pih) and Sparrow (Mr. S. L. Yuen), and all the placed jobs were the subscription griffins of this season.

Without prejudice, the success of Mrs. Grasett's racer seemed to convey the impression that Mr. Encarnacion's style of riding with long stirrups did not balance well with Sapper. However, it was a fine race, and Mr. Davis nursed his mount to a nicely lying handy when entering the straight, he brought Sapper in the right moment after passing the mile beacon, and the combination never looked back again, to win on the bit.

It was Far View's first defeat, but it was no disgrace because the mare was carrying the limit load. The old ponies, all of whom had a pull of a few pounds, did not impress that they (Baffin Bay, Lancashire Chips, Lucky Lad and Triumph Day) were at one time or other racers of some calibre.

"E" Class For Australians Soon?

The first two (Springhurst and Australian Prince) placed ponies in the Sydney Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies were of this season's bunch, and in the circumstances it will not be long to see the creation of an "E" class for the old stagers.

In order to gauge the attendance of the followers of the turf the first prize of the cash sweep in the last event on Saturday was worth \$3,227 to ticket No. 3381, which drew Fei Ying ridden by Mr. P. Wei, but on Easter Monday the lucky No. 3451 in the last race fetched \$4,630.40, and it was won by Guinness Time with the same jockey in the saddle.

Good sport was enjoyed by all the race-goers who had certainly the full value of their money's worth. Those who have gone down the sink must admit that there was no runaway victory by many lengths. I have segregated the margin of defeats with the following results:

Dead Heat	2	2
Short Head	2	"
A Head	1	"
A Neck	1	"
Half-a-length	2	"
A Length	3	"
1 1/2 do	2	"
2 do	4	"
3 do	2	"
4 do	1	"
	20	"

It will be seen from the above that four events out of the total of 20 races were annexed by two lengths, two by three lengths and a single contest by three lengths.

Golf

Triple Tie In Bogey Par Pool

Mr. and Mrs. H. Overy (18-4-25), Surg. Comdr. and Mrs. C. B. Nicholson (8-4-38) and Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. Rose (8-4-22) all tied at one down in the Mixed Bogey Pool. Competition held over the New Course at Fanning during the Easter Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Overy win the competition, however, as they had the best scores over the last nine holes.

SATINLIGHT'S SURPRISING FAILURE

Dead Heat For First In Easter Stakes

WHAT WAS WRONG with Mr. Eric Muller's Satinlight in the Easter Stakes? It even appeared that the punters were in the know, for they could not place any confidence in the pony, in fact the stable companion, Spicelight, had more tickets for a win than the Derby winner in the pari-mutuel department.

The running of Satinlight was a dead failure, and I wonder whether the stallion was short of a gallop or two. He was looking a nice picture in the parade ring, but when it came to racing, Satinlight was worse than a school-boy, and he finished behind Spicelight, who was fourth.

I sounded a discordant note in this column that Burford had a stiff proposition by conceding 10 lbs. to Confusion Bay. I do not believe in crying over the spilt milk, but had Confusion Bay kept a straight course, the judges would have been forced to give another decision than a dead-heat. Considering the state of the going it was a wonderful fast run over the mile in 1.54%, but I cannot help saying that the joint winners were rocking in the home stretch owing to the terrific pace set by Mount Hope Bay with Mr. Proulx in the saddle.

P. Y. T. WEI TOPS WINNING JOCKEYS

THERE WERE TWO disqualifications, Many Thanks (Mr. Davis) for boring, and Jennifer (Mr. Black) for crossing. The latter has deprived Mr. Black of the honour, heading the list of jockeys, and the most successful rider at the Easter session was Mr. Peter Wei with a ratio of 3-2-3 mounts.

A most interesting feat of Mr. Black's riding was that he was not placed either second or third, and his three winning mounts were two dead-heat on Chatterbox with Phoenix, and Confusion Bay with Burford.

	1st	2nd	3rd
P. Y. T. Wei	3	2	3
D. Black	3	-	-
V. V. Needa	2	3	2
L. B. Chao	2	2	2
H. C. Pih	2	1	1
W. H. S. Davis	2	-	1
C. Trevorton	2	-	-
H. J. A. Hearn	1	3	-
W. G. Poy	1	2	-
P. P. Botelho	1	-	3
S. C. Liang	1	-	1
B. L. Tao	1	-	-
Ho Hong-ping	1	-	-
H. M. Botelho	1	-	1
Ip Kuei-ying	1	-	-
Ho Pak-ming	1	-	-
Yuen King-kwai	1	-	-
B. Proulx	-	2	-
S. L. Yuen	-	1	-
R. K. C. Chui	-	1	-
A. D. Coppin	-	1	-
	22	18	20

SINGAPORE SOCCER TEAM PLANS TOUR

MANILA, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation to-day received a challenge from a Singapore Chinese football team which in planning to visit Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila in the summer.

Dunbar Stable Sold To Mr. T. K. Li?

It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. L. Dunbar has sold all his Australian and China ponies to Mr. T. K. Li (owner of O-Lan, Omaha and Conagh), and the price paid was close on to \$25,000. The string consists of Alexandria Bay, Baffin Bay, Confusion Bay, Dupont Bay, Galveston Bay, Hillsboro Bay, Mount Hope Bay and Venus Bay, and the racers will appear at the next meeting in Mr. Li's red and white stripes, red cap, to be ridden by Mr. V. V. Needa.

The sale of these first class animals will no doubt be a great loss to Mr. D. Black, for it will seriously affect his prospect of becoming the champion jockey of this season.

On account of business where his presence is necessitated in Shanghai and New York, Mr. Dunbar has thought it best to quit, but Mrs. Dunbar, I understand, will continue to race her lot of ponies.

Badminton

Wong And Miss Cheung Enter The Mixed Doubles Final

(By "Tinker")

P. H. WONG AND MISS W. CHEUNG entered the final of the Colony Mixed Doubles badminton championship last night when they beat H. and Miss D. Eardley by 15-5, 15-12 at the Club de Recreio.

There was no doubting the merits of the winners, for though the opposition, especially H. Eardley, were somewhat off form, they were nevertheless a strong combination. Miss Cheung's play was extremely good, and she completely over-shadowed her opposite when at the net.

Individually and as a combination, the winners were better than their opponents. Patrick Wong, at certain stages of the match, was inclined to be erratic with his cross-court smashes, and quite a number were over the side-lines, but he later improved and repeatedly scored winners with shots from the baseline that dropped just over the net.

Eardley never gave his sister the support that was needed to win a match. His backhand shots were weak and his overhead was unreliable. On one occasion he completely missed the shuttle in making a vicious smash. Miss Eardley, too, was inclined to be nervous, but she gave a good account of herself as the opposition would allow.

EASY-FIRST GAME WONG and Miss Cheung led throughout the first game. The second game was a different story. By concentration on Miss Cheung, the Eardleys went into an 8-5 lead, but a series of misunderstandings at this stage saw them drop back until the score was levelled at 8-8.

The Chinese pair took the lead from 9-8 to 11-3 before the Eardleys pulled themselves together, and with a great effort drew up to 11-11. Wong and partner secured service and

ran up to 14-11 and after allowing one more point to their opponents, took the game at 15-12.

At King's College, K. L. Yong and Miss U. Khoo beat J. Clark and Mrs. T. J. Beattie 15-10, 15-9 in the other mixed doubles semi-final, and will, therefore, meet Wong and Miss Cheung in the final.

Junior Singles Semi-Final

N. L. SMITH went into the final of the men's Junior Singles championship at the expense of T. S. Young by scores of 15-12, 15-5. Young put up splendid resistance in the opening game, and only dropped away after a misunderstanding in the scoring when the score was 10-9.

In the second game, there was nothing startling. Smith was head and shoulders above his opponent and ran out an easy winner at 15-5.

Smith will now meet W. Gilles in the final.

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Tuesday, April 2, at 8 p.m. The Rev. S. Hinchcliffe will give a lecture on the origin and growth of Association Football.

WELL-KNOWN HONGKONG SPORTSMAN DEAD

Brigadier H.C. Harrison

THERE ARE MANY sportsmen in Hongkong who will recall the name of Brigadier (then Colonel) H. C. Harrison, and who will remember the intense interest he took in all forms of sport here. To these people, and there are quite a number, the news received in the Colony yesterday of his death must have been a shock.

His athletic keenness was This was during the early days when he was an officer in the Royal

intimately associated with the Marines. His County "caps" included the Hongkong Football Association, Midland Counties, Kent, Devon and Hampshire, and he only gave up active participation in rugby following his accident when a Welsh player kicked him in the face.

He was President of the Hongkong Area Sports Board in 1937, and throughout his stay here was very interested in the Army Boxing Tournaments, at which he was a regular supporter.

One of the last pictures of him was the one printed on this page. This was at the Army v. Empire match at Richmond, on January 25, which was a trial for the selection of an Army side to go over to France and play the French Army.

He is well remembered in Hongkong, and numerous friends of the sporting associations of the Colony have given expression to their deep regret.



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NAZIS MAY START U-BOAT WARFARE IN FAR EAST

POSSIBILITY OF OPERATING FROM SOVIET SEA PORT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, MARCH 28 (UP).—THE POSSIBILITY OF GERMANY EXTENDING THE WAR TO THE FAR EAST THROUGH U-BOAT WARFARE FROM A SOVIET PORT IN THE SEA OF JAPAN IS NOW BEING OPENLY DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON FOLLOWING THE RETURN TO-DAY FROM HIS EUROPEAN TOUR OF MR. SUMNER WELLES.

Significance is seen in the recall of the Soviet Ambassador, M. Souritz from France, and the recent seizures of copper shipments to Vladivostok.

Officials in Washington believe that the partial blockade in the Pacific indicates that the Allies are confident that the Atlantic situation is sufficiently under control.

Mr. Welles arrived here to-day, and without making a single comment, proceeded direct to the State Department and later conferred with President Roosevelt for 45 minutes.

Official quarters expect part of Mr. Welles' report to deal with the possibility of the extension of the European war to the Far East as a result of the new tension between the Allies and Russia.

Denies Peace Plan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Italian liner Conte di Savoia docked at 9 a.m., to-day and Mr. Sumner Welles, carrying a small brown case crammed with confidential reports, departed for the White House at Washington at 10.30 a.m., aboard the "Judith" of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Asked regarding the possibilities of peace, Mr. Welles referred to his Rome statement in which he denied that he had received any peace plan or had any knowledge of such.

I was the only member of any press association to accompany Mr. Welles every step of the way and certain trends that I noted will undoubtedly affect his report, writes a U.P. special correspondent.

Firstly, Signor Mussolini during the last three weeks gave the impression that he believes Germany now has a chance to win the war. The Italian press is again boastfully using the word "axis."

Allies' Confidence

Secondly, the Allies are confident that they are winning air supremacy over Germany and have resources for at least 8 or 10 years of war if necessary.

Thirdly, the Allied confidence in the efficacy of the blockade is not as strong as it was two months ago, but Russia is still an unknown determinant.

Fourthly, inside Germany there is nothing to indicate a crack-up of morale.

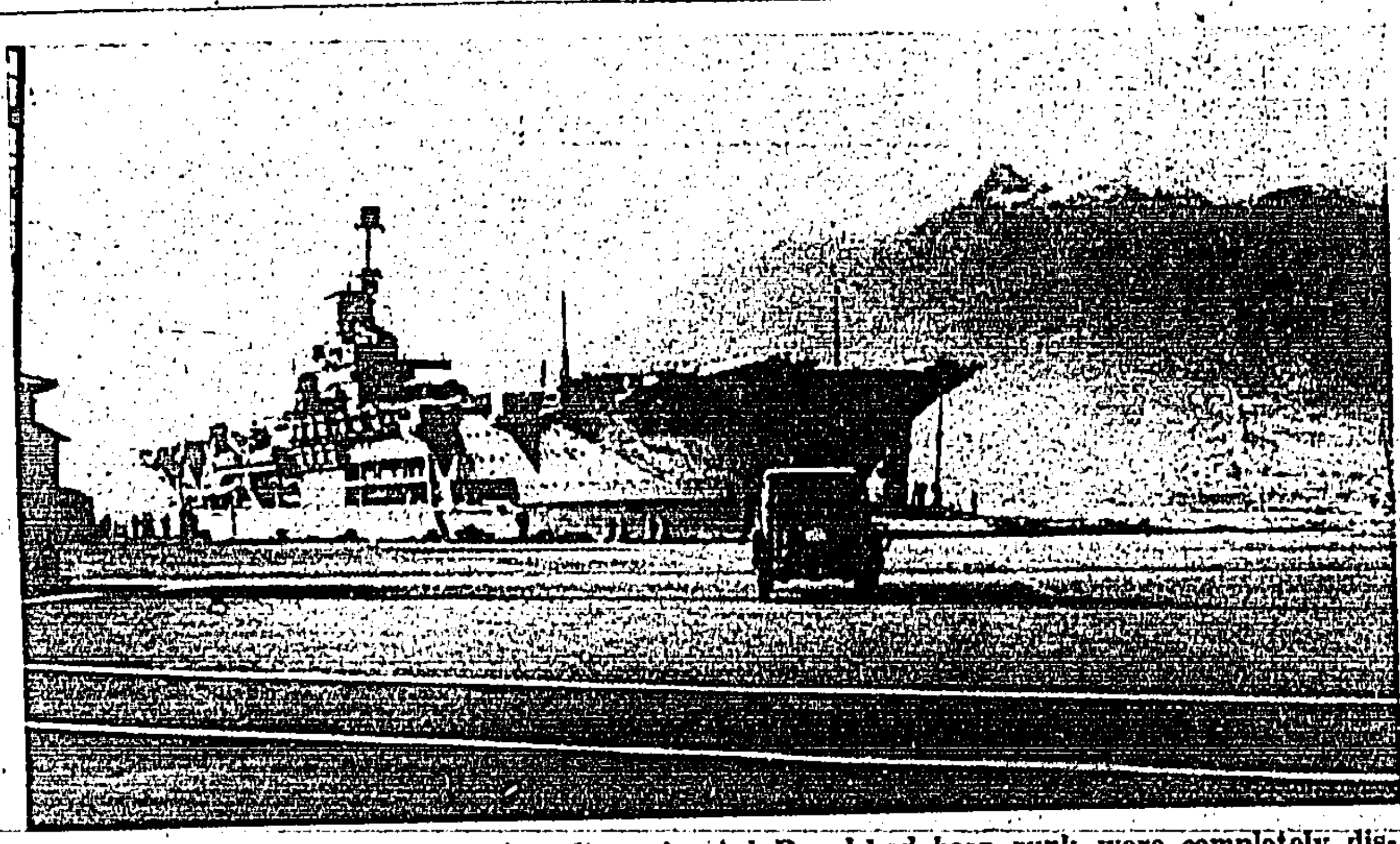
Fifthly, there is little chance that Mr. Welles or anyone else can find an acceptable formula for peace in the immediate future.

Not To Pay Second Visit

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles arrived to-day after a trip to Europe as President Roosevelt's special envoy, and immediately declared that he did not plan another visit to Europe, but steadfastly declined to discuss or comment on any European personalities with whom he had conferred.

Some 25 reporters greeted Mr. Welles on the liner and he merely jokingly said to them: "I can give you some real news—I am mighty glad to see you and glad to be home."

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GERMAN claims that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had been sunk were completely discounted this week by the official announcement that she had returned to a home port. Here too is pictorial evidence of the continued existence of the vessel. Picture shows the Ark Royal during her recent call at Cape Town, with the cloud-capped Table Mountain providing a picturesque background for the big warship.

Nazi Planes Active Over North Sea And Channel

BRITISH CONVOY ATTACKED OFF SHETLAND ISLANDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Mar. 28 (UP).—According to the official German news agency, Nazi planes to-night successfully attacked a British convoy off the Shetland Islands.

A French torpedo-boat, it is claimed, was also attacked in the English Channel.

The Germans claim that all of the attacking planes returned to their base, but that two reconnaissance machines are missing.

The British convoy, says the report, was scattered, and several ships were hit by bombs.

Post-War Aid For Shipping

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—It has been learned that the British Government has promised to assist British liners to recover their lost trade routes after the cessation of hostilities.

Chiang's Son Studies U.S. Air Tactics

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's second son, Lieut. Chiang Wai-kuo, has enrolled for three months course in aerial combat tactics at the training station, Maxwell Field, Alabama according to an announcement from the United States War Department.

Lieut. Chiang graduated from a German military academy, and has been in the United States during the past five months.

Canadian Red Cross Presents Ambulance

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Canadian Red Cross has presented an ambulance for the use of Polish troops in France.

The presentation was made to the Polish Ambassador in London by Mr. J. V. Bennett, the former Conservative Premier of Canada, on behalf of the Canadian Red Cross.

U.S. Ship In Distress Sends Out S.O.S. From The Pacific

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (UP).—The 6,000-ton American ship Antinous is wallowing in heavy seas off the Japanese coast, and has sent out an S.O.S.

No details were given, except that the location of the distressed freighter is about 1,500 miles from the Japanese coast.

The Antinous was built 20 years ago, and is owned by the Waterman Steamship Corporation of America.

To The Rescue

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Steamer Admiral Halstead has radioed that she is proceeding to the aid of the distressed American freighter Antinous, 1,500 miles off the Japan coast, and expects to reach the latter's position at 3 a.m., Pacific Standard time on Friday.

COUNT TELEKI GOES HOME

ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, has left for Budapest.

Real War To Start In Spring

Expected Effect Of Allies' Decision

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Allied Supreme War Council met in London to-day and "decided on future action."

The Council agreed neither to conclude a separate armistice or peace or to discuss peace terms before reaching a complete agreement on the conditions necessary to ensure their own security.

They also agreed to maintain, after the conclusion of peace, "a community of action in all spheres for so long as it may be necessary to safeguard their security, and effect reconstruction, with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which would ensure the liberty of peoples and their respect for the law and maintenance of peace in Europe."

16 Attend Meeting

France was represented by M. Reynaud, M. Compiègne and M. Laurent accompanied by the French Ambassador to London, General Gamelin, Admiral Darlan and Air Marshal Vuillemin.

Britain was represented by Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Oliver Stanley and Sir Kingsley Wood accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan, General Ironside, Air Chief of Staff Sir Henry Newall and Admiral Sir Dudley Pound.

Informed quarters say the Council's deliberations were political more than military and centered on a new bid for Italy's friendship. Although these quarters doubt the press reports that Hitler's plan to reconcile Italy and Russia is a total failure, they point to M. Reynaud receiving the Italian Ambassador and his summoning of the French Ambassador to Paris from Rome right after he had assumed the premiership of France.

They believe M. Reynaud wants to pick up the threads of the broken negotiations last October which went a long way towards meeting the Italian demands regarding Djibouti, the Suez Canal, Aden, Ababa and Tunisia but failed to satisfy Italy's ambitions.

Two Meetings

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the sixth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held in London to-day.

The Council assembled in the morning and there was a further meeting in the afternoon.

France was represented by M. Paul Reynaud (Prime Minister), M. Cesar Compiègne (Minister for the Navy) and M. Laurent Eynac (Minister for PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

Norway Interns Grounded U-Boat

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
KRISTIAND, Mar. 28 (UP).—A German U-boat was brought into harbour here at 2 p.m.

The Captain and crew have been placed under a heavy guard.

She is the vessel which grounded on Tuesday night among some small islands at Oddene east of Ryvingen. Despite requests for her release by the German Legation at Oslo, the Norwegian Government, after searching investigations, decided to disarm and intern the submarine.

It has been learned that the submarine is a 250-ton vessel of the class first shown during the manoeuvres during 1935 when she was used as a training boat.

Modern Vessel

She is one of the most modern construction and carries a crew of 50 whereas her normal complement is 23.

The age of the crew averages about 20 years and the Captain is no more than 30 years old.

Nazi Request Refused

OSLO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Norwegian Foreign Minister announced to-day that a German submarine on Tuesday night grounded in a very difficult place of small islands at Oddene, east of Ryvingen.

Meanwhile, the German Legation asked the Norwegian Government to release the U-boat pointing out the U-boat was forced to enter Norwegian territorial waters due to bad weather and disorientation—the only two reasons permitting foreign ships to enter Norwegian territorial waters.

Poor Navigation

However, inquiry made by the Norwegian Government disclosed that the damage to the U-boat was caused solely by the grounding. The weather was not bad enough to have forced the U-boat to enter Norwegian territorial waters. The only cause was poor navigation by the U-boat, and even if erroneous navigation in connection with bad weather forced the U-boat to enter Norwegian territorial waters there is no legal right to allow the U-boat to stay there.

After all these were established the Norwegian Government determined last night to disarm and intern the German submarine. This work was carried out this morning after the Norwegian destroyer Odin arrived at the spot.

Norway's Decision

OSLO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The German Legation here asked for the grounded U-boat to be freed because it was damaged by a heavy sea and through having run aground.

These two references are the only legal reasons, according to Norwegian regulations, whereby a belligerent vessel can enter territorial waters.

As a result of investigations, however, it was disclosed that the U-boat was damaged only as a result of grounding and not on account of bad weather. The Norwegian Government has therefore ignored the German request and interned the crew.

Nazis' Latest Balkan Move

Agriculture Minister To Visit Hungary

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Mar. 28 (UP).—German efforts to capture the economic markets of the Balkans took a new turn to-day when the official news agency announced that the German Minister of Agriculture will leave for Budapest on April 2 for a three-days' visit to the Hungarian capital.

He is going at the invitation of the Hungarian Premier and the Minister for Agriculture.

The aim of the visit will be to inspect the Agricultural Exposition at Budapest and "to discuss economic relations between Hungary and Germany, and the extent of their co-operation in the agricultural domain."

BERLIN RAILWAY DISASTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Mar. 28 (UP).—One railroad worker was killed and three others and 23 passengers were injured near Loerrach when a locomotive crashed into a train-load of West Wall workers who were going home on leave.

BRITISH CASUALTY LIST OF 725

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The names of 100 officers and men and 12 women who have died on active service appear in the third War Office casualty list which was published to-day.

The list gives details as follows:
Died 714; died from wounds three; died from wounds while prisoners of war one; killed one; wounded 6.

The officers whose names appear in the list include Lieutenant (Quartermaster) E. Smith, the youngest holder of the Victoria Cross received

In the Great War, who died in France last January.

The names of 141 warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Artillery who died on active service are included in the list.

The highest death toll recorded in that of the Royal Army Service Corps with 70 dead.

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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 20th March, Mar. 29.
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Japan and Shanghai, Apr. 1.
Straits, Apr. 1.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd March, Apr. 2.
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Parcels only for Straits and Hongkong, 12.30 p.m.
Bangkok, 1.30 p.m.
Port Bayard, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Hongkong, 2.30 p.m.
Straits and Hongkong, 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th April.
K.P.O. 5 p.m.
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G.P.O.

Reg. 5 p.m.
Ord. 7 p.m.
Amoy, 7 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan, 7.00 p.m.
Manila and London via Long-Sea—due London, 6th May.
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Par. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Reg. Mar. 30, 5.45 a.m.
Ord. Mar. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Saturday, Mar. 30
Touane, Saigon and Bangkok, 6.30 a.m.
Shanghai, 2 p.m.
Parcels only for Tientsin, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America (No parcels for Canada only) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 17th April.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Par. Mar. 30, 4 p.m.
Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane 16th April.
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Par. Mar. 30, 4 p.m.
Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta.
Parcels, Mar. 30, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 7th April.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. Mar. 30, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday, Mar. 31
Shanghai, 9 a.m.
Saloon, 8.30 a.m.
Japan, 10.30 a.m.
Haliphong, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, 2.30 p.m.
Canton, 2.30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 2
Parcels, Apr. 2, 11 a.m.
Ord. Apr. 2, Noon.
Amoy and Shanghai, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 10th April.
K.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
Ord. Apr. 2, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
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The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Fifty first Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 3rd day of April, 1940, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1940, to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1940.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

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HITLER PICKS HIS "GAULEITER" TO RULE BRITAIN—IF HE WINS WAR

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Nazi Bosses in Training

AMSTERDAM.

HITLER has chosen the man who will be Nazi dictator of Britain—IF Germany wins the war.

The man is Gauleiter E. Wilhelm Bohle, born in Bradford, Yorkshire, thirty-six years ago of German parents—but still entitled to British nationality and a British passport.

He will be installed in London, but the Nazis have not yet fixed his official residence, nor the date on which he will take office. They have decided to await events.

Meanwhile, according to reports reaching Amsterdam from Berlin, Hitler's preparations for dealing with Britain after the war are in full swing.

The whole country is to be divided up and ruled by local Gauleiters (leaders), backed up by Gestapo agents.

Special schools for these future rulers of Britain have been formed at Bad Tolz, high in the Bavarian Alps, and at Marburg, old Prussian university town. Here picked S.S. men, the black-shirted elite of the Nazi Party, are working night and day, studying English and the other details "of ruling Britons."

Dances and Concerts

Bohle has beaten the field. He is head of the Auslandsdeutscher organisation—in supreme control of all Nazis living abroad. His secret orders are their law.

This young man, with the hard, handsome face, left England as a small boy and went to school in Capetown. He owes his career in the Nazi Party to his fluent English, which he speaks with a guttural accent.

When he took charge of the Auslandsdeutscher in 1933, his subtle plan was to organise concerts, lectures, dances and social events in big cities throughout the world, and so keep Germans in touch with each other.

In London the Nazi headquarters were in Cleveland-terrace, Bayswater, and regular dances were held at Porchester Hall.

To make sure that everything was running as smoothly as it ought, Bohle paid a visit to London.

Perhaps, with some premonition of what was in store for him, he even stood outside Buckingham Palace and other London buildings trying to make up his mind where he would live one day.

Bohle prides himself on his knowledge of England and the English.

So the S.S. men who will serve under him are being given "cramped" courses on English life, customs and etiquette.

They learn about the mysteries of Yorkshire pudding and a nice cup of tea. Nothing is neglected. With typical German thoroughness, they even receive lectures on the English sense of humour.

EACH OF THE MEN HAS ALSO TO SPECIALISE IN HIS OWN DISTRICT. HE MUST STUDY MAPS AND GUIDE-BOOKS UNTIL HE IS ABSOLUTELY FAMILIAR WITH EVERY INCH OF THE TERRITORY.

Further, he must know exactly what industries there are in his area, how many men and women are employed, what their wages are, what their output is.

And he must know, too, how to crush any resistance there may be. For Hitler intends to make Britain something more than a mere vassal State of Germany. It will become a place for lucrative jobs for Nazi leaders, in industry as well as in administration, and intrigues have already begun for these posts.

The S.S. men so far selected have passed the strictest physical tests and have proved their Aryan ancestry beyond reproach.

They have even signed declarations agreeing not to marry until the Nazi leaders have examined the qualifications and family history of the bride-to-be and given their consent.

Hitler has not made up his mind about the Empire, but he favours a system of self-government under Nazi protection on the lines of Bohemia and Moravia.

But there is one thing that Hitler, Herr Bohle and their henchmen have overlooked.

THEY HAVE NOT WON THE WAR YET.

Smith Minor Has a Bright Idea

A NOVEL—if not entirely disinterested—suggestion for war-time economy in paper is made in a letter signed Young Hopeful, sent to Eton College Chronicle.

"May I suggest," he writes, "that the present system of punishing fellows with lines, or spelling lists, should be abolished?"

"This factor, on top of the many known disadvantages of compelling fellows to write lines as punishment, should settle once and for all this abominable practice."

Young Hopeful should not be too hopeful.

NAZIS MAY START U-BOAT WARFARE IN FAR EAST

FROM PAGE ONE

But "No comment" was his only answer to virtually every question.

Little Optimism For Peace

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuter). Shortly after Mr. Sumner Welles' arrival in Washington, President Roosevelt received his report on his fact-finding tour.

High officials here have expressed the opinion that there is little optimism regarding the possibilities of peace following Mr. Welles' tour.

Nevertheless, Mr. Welles is apparently satisfied with the results of his journey. He stated that he had had every opportunity given him to get the information for which he was sent.

Beyond this, he refused to comment.

Mr. Welles conferred briefly with Mr. Cordell Hull. Then both went to the White House to deliver the report.

TRAWLERS NOW WARSHIPS

Germans' New Move

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP)—It is revealed that the German vessel which British bombing planes sank in an action in the North Sea on Wednesday, was a heavily armed ship of about 1,000 tons.

According to reliable reports, the German vessel had been converted into a patrol ship, and was carrying anti-aircraft guns. The converted vessels are known as "Flakships."

Receiving Order Against KEITH WILLIAMS

THE MAN WHO MADE FIVE FORTUNES

Proving It



TWO men were lifting a jar of rum at Southampton Docks when it fell and smashed.

They saved some of the rum—and sampled it.

The spirit was overproof. One of the men is now in Southampton Hospital, reports the "Daily Mail."

REAL WAR TO START IN SPRING

FROM PAGE ONE

Air), who were accompanied by M. Corbin M. Alexis Leger, General Gamelin, Admiral Darlan, General Vuillemin and General Koeltz.

Great Britain was represented by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Mr. Winston Churchill (First Lord of the Admiralty) and Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister), who were accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Admiral Sir Dudley Pound and General Sir Edmund Ironside.

The Prime Minister expressed gratification at being able to greet M. Reynaud for the first time as President du Conseil.

Joint Declaration

The Council passed in review developments in the strategic situation since their last meeting and decided on future line of action.

In the light of the results achieved by the agreement of last December signed by Sir John Simon and M. Reynaud, and desiring to extend the scope of this agreement to all spheres affecting the interests and security of the two nations, the two governments have agreed to the following solid declaration:

"The Government of the French Republic and His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom mutually undertake that during the present war they will neither negotiate nor conclude an armistice or treaty of peace except by mutual agreement."

"They undertake not to discuss peace terms before reaching a complete agreement on the conditions of an effective and lasting guarantee of their security."

"Finally they undertake to maintain after the conclusion of peace a community of action in all spheres for as long as may be necessary to safeguard their security and to effect the reconstruction, with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which will ensure the liberty of peoples, respect for the law and the maintenance of peace in Europe."

Political Circles Impressed

ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The communiqué issued after the meeting of the Supreme War Council is regarded in political circles as the most far-reaching and solemn declaration of unflinching solidarity made by the Allies since the outbreak of war.

On the face of it, it is said, the communiqué plainly conveys that the Allies will not take the initiative in any peace talks.

Political circles feel that such a categorical announcement would have been made by Mr. Welles' tour had it not been necessary to safeguard their security and to effect the reconstruction, with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which will ensure the liberty of peoples, respect for the law and the maintenance of peace in Europe."

The Russian Enigma

The Russian, who reminds one of the man who asked: "Is this a private fight, or may anyone join in?" is a splendid defensive fighter, and has now as his leaders a type of officer who, for excellent training and scientific accomplishment, is in the very forefront of his profession, as all good observers agree. Discipline is good, the one drawback being the rather youthful age of the officers and non-coms.

Apart from that, we know almost nothing regarding the war-psychology of the new Russian conscript. The likelihood is that, as at other periods, he would, though a dogged fighter, scarcely be able to hold his own against professionally-trained French or British troops, if called upon to do so, though he would certainly not disgrace himself.

About our own men we need say little. The personal address and hardihood of the English infantryman is as remarkable as his quick and vigorous reaction to circumstances. As for the Scot, it is proverbial that he goes into battle with a rather cautious mood—and that his officers find it well-nigh impossible to make him stop fighting!

In the present struggle the British Tommy will, as before, be the spearhead on the shaft of Freedom. And to believe that he is old-fashioned enough to believe that:

"Of all the world's great heroes there's none that can compare

To the British Grenadier!"

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KEITH HUGH WILLIAMS, the financier who a year ago was reputed to have made five fortunes and lost four of them, has had a receiving order made against him.

The "London Gazette" announces that a creditor's petition was filed last August, and a receiving order was made at Plymouth.

Keith Williams' address is given as Combe Royal, Kingsbridge, Devon, "while carrying on business at Grosvenor House, Park-lane, London." Combe Royal is a beautiful mansion.

In January, 1939, when creditors and shareholders of the Aeronautical Corporation of Great Britain, Ltd., met, a promoter of the company said he had just received a letter from Mr. Williams, addressed from Alberta, Canada.

A representative of the shareholders stated that he had seen a man "just like Mr. Williams" in London.

On the same day, the "Daily Herald" received a handwritten letter signed "Keith H. Williams" and carrying his Devon address although a member of the household said that he was abroad.

Mr. Keith Williams has figured in a number of widely discussed law cases. On one occasion he lost £10,000 at a charity gambling party in the West End.

A law case followed, in which he sued the organiser for damages. The case was stopped and Mr. Williams ordered to pay costs, which, he said afterwards amounted to thousands of pounds.

Bodyguard He was given a special bodyguard of detectives after the case, following an anonymous threat to kill him.

Mr. Williams is 46 and comes from Weymouth. Originally a sailor, he became a Texas ranchman, salesman, clerk, coffee-stall proprietor, and bank clerk.

He once wrote a book called "Money Sense."

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

(Continued from Page 6.)

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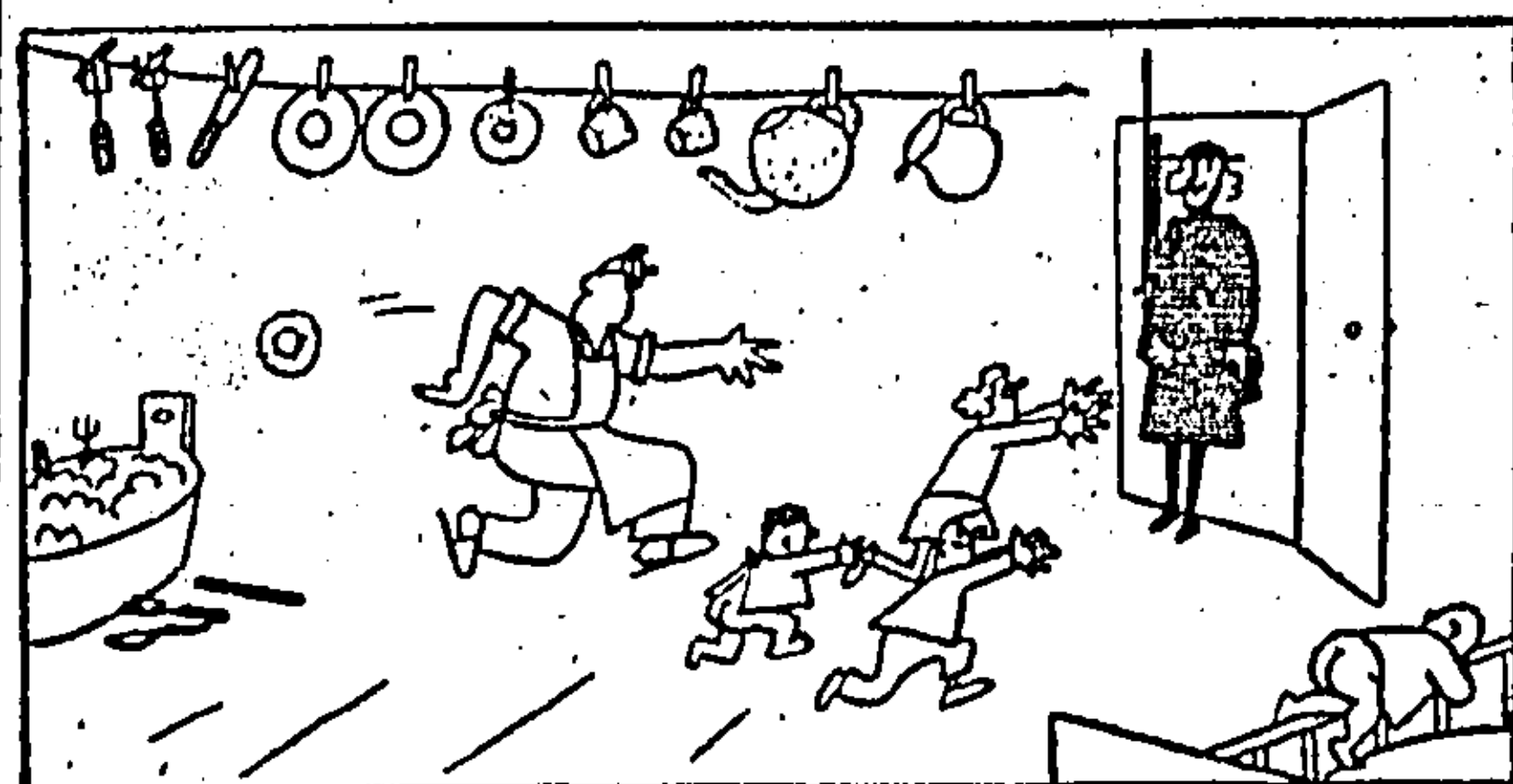
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MAGAZINE PAGE

German Fun with the A.T.S.

Here are some German cartoons. This time the cartoonists make the girls of our A.T.S. their target.



Mummy arrives home on leave
(Kölnische Zeitung)

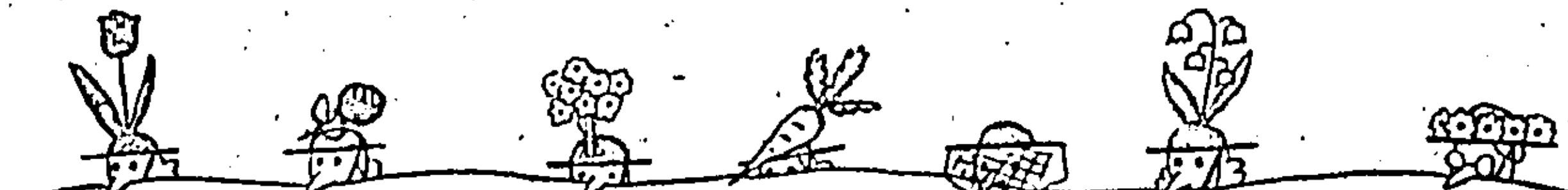


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(Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)

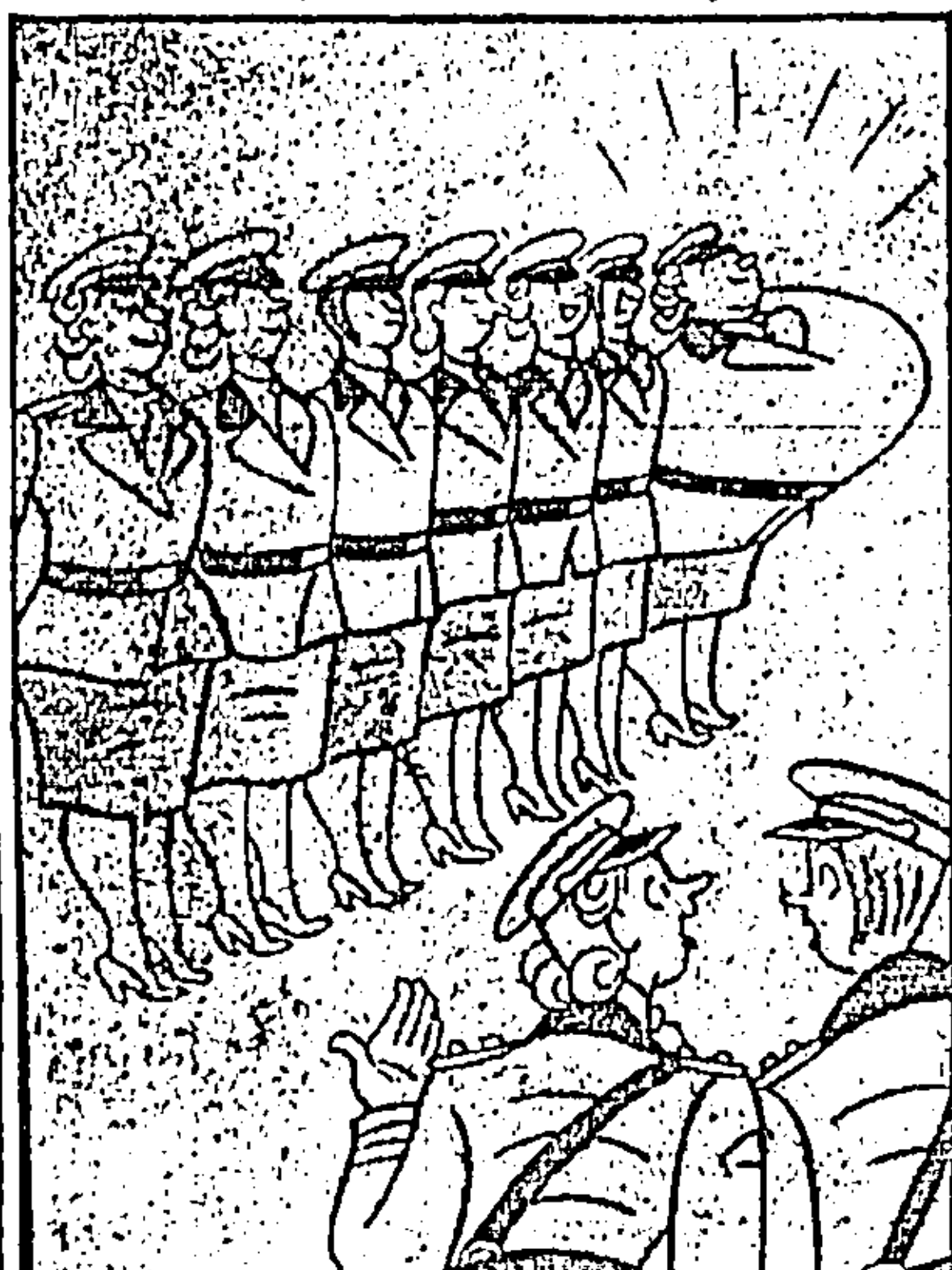


Prophetic Picture: After 12 months in Franco
(Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)

Still at her post
(Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



Experts in the art of Camouflage
(Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



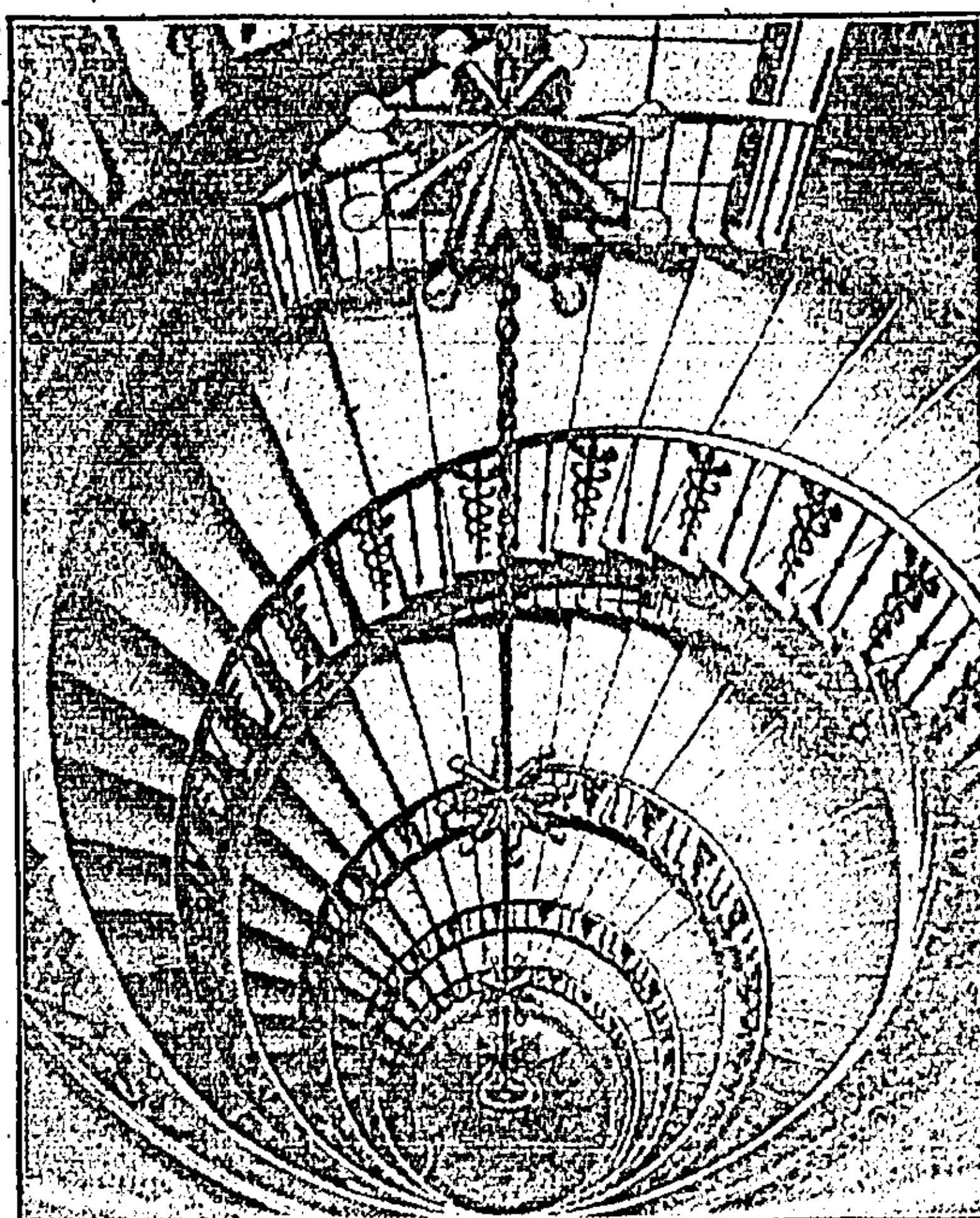
"We must find her another job. She doesn't suit this platoon"
(Lustige Blätter, Berlin)



"It passes the time on sentry duty"
(Lustige Blätter, Berlin)

THE CAMERA

Take Photographs From Angles



Can you identify this subject? The answer is below—with other ideas for novel and amusing pictures you can take.

WHEN you run out of ideas for the usual type of pictures—try your hand at unusual pictures.

Look out for novel angle shots, and opportunities for "puzzle pictures." This is fun—and such shots will add novelty to your snapshot album.

There are all sorts of unusual things worth trying. For example, odd lighting effects when you are taking night snapshots. Instead of having your photo bulbs at eye level, put them on the floor for a few shots, so that they shine up toward your subjects, and cast long shadows on the wall. It's a stunt that yields surprising effects.

Try shots at unusual angles. Take a picture from an upstairs window, with a subject directly below you looking straight upward. Try a steep up-angle shot of a tall building. Shoot straight down a stairway well.

The picture above is a shot of a deep circular staircase, taken with the camera pointed almost straight down. You'll agree it makes a novel effect.

For another stunt, try tricks with perspective. Take a shot of a subject sitting down, with his feet extended toward the camera. If the feet are fairly close to the lens, they will show up absurdly large in the picture.

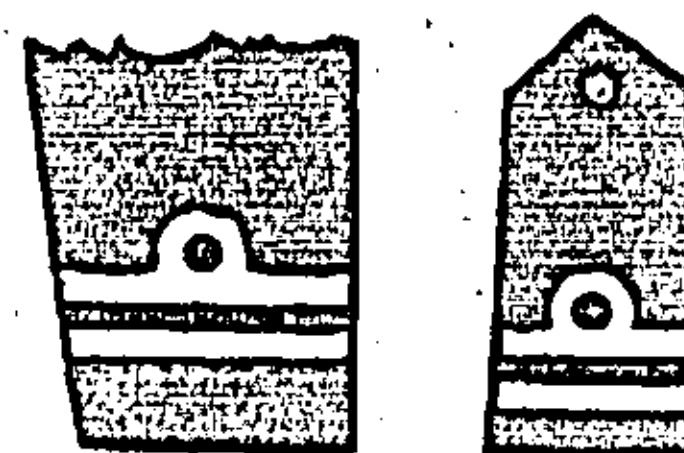
For shots such as this, use the smallest lens opening on your camera, as you need extra "depth of field." It won't matter if the nearest objects are slightly out of focus, but they shouldn't be too "fuzzy."

Try some double-exposure tricks. For example, a close-up shot of a newspaper page—and then a close-up of a person on the same film. Use a dark background for the shot of the person. You can produce some unusual "combination" effects in this manner.

Try all these stunts—and keep your eyes open for other novel picture chances. They'll give added spice to your camera hobby.

John van Guilder

Spotting the Rank



LIEUTENANT

There are more officers of this rank on the active list of the Royal Navy than any other, the total at the outbreak of war being over 1,300. But on the retired and emergency lists there were only 763.

Like Captain, the rank of Lieutenant is derived from the French, by way of the Army. When warships were produced by the simple method of arming merchant vessels and embarking fighting men in them, the officer appointed in command held the military rank of Captain.

When a second officer accompanied him as his deputy, he was given the rank of Lieutenant. Literally this implied "tenant in lieu" of the Captain, to whose duties he would automatically succeed if the latter were killed or incapacitated.

Since those early days the introduction of the intermediate ranks of Commander and Lieutenant-Commander has caused the relative importance of the Lieutenant to decline. But this is somewhat mitigated by the fact that he automatically becomes a Lieutenant-Commander after eight years.

word we have planned in detail, amidst other things, a new system of education, a bridge between denominations, safe-guarding for the roads, and a new charter for industry.

Our plans have been tested quietly for two years and are now ready to be put into action. Numerous small companies are being formed for study as well as recreation.

But we want an army of helpers—everyone who is ready to be a real companion and particularly those who love little children.

We can expect some people to sneer at our efforts, just as the Hironites and Ammonites sneered at Nehemiah.

Let us answer them in Nehemiah's own words: "The God of Heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build."

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The World Needs God

BY E. R. Appleton

Founder of the famous B.B.C. Sunday evening "Silent Fellowship" broadcasts.

men. They expect to join nations like pieces of a jig-saw puzzle. And I confess that I am suspicious of any plan which starts with World Committees and International Federations.

My own plan deals first with individuals. It includes a simple charter of faith as a guide to the every-day relationships of man with his fellowmen.

For I agree with William Blake when he says that "If people are

My generation inherited a world which was merely a time-bomb in disguise, waiting to explode. The next generation has received much the same, but with a generous supply of bigger and better gas-masks. Horrors still more devilish may be in store for our children.

The amazing thing is that the vast majority of human beings loathe aggression. They want a world fit for children to live in.

But they lack the power to get it because they have nothing to draw them together. If only they could find one simple idea to work upon—a kind of highest common factor of all their different ways of thinking—the new world would be theirs.

★ PLANS there are in plenty. But will they work? Most of them seem to me to start at the wrong end. They deal with maps and not with

IN one corner of the room Bridget, my youngest daughter, is playing happily with a doll's house.

It is her idea of home-planning, and I know how serious it is, for I have just been called in to help with the decorating.

When I pointed out the bareness of the windows I was told that in her street there was no black-out. The information has set me wondering.

What will the houses of the future look like? They may be camouflaged or even built below ground. Or they may have to withstand nothing worse than bad weather.

But it is of their owners, our children, that I am thinking. It seems unfair to leave them with such a rotten world, and I confess that whenever I see a child with a gas-mask I feel ashamed.

BRITISH PLANE SHOT DOWN BY DUTCH

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A communique issued by the Government Press Service states that a British bomber which was flying from east to west was hit when above Pernis, near Rotterdam, by fire from a Netherlands fighter plane.

The communique confirms that one member of the crew was killed after jumping from the plane and that the plane was burnt out. The survivors were interned.

Fire Returned Says Report

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—According to Dutch accounts, the British bomber which was shot down by Dutch fighter planes returned the Dutch fighters' fire.

The British bomber appeared to think that they were in France and appeared to be bewildered when Dutch soldiers in strange green uniforms asked them: "Are you English?"

When asked where they came from, the pilot cautiously replied: "We have come from somewhere." After searching for and finding the dead body of a comrade, the pilots were taken to a cafe, given a drink and met the Dutch pilot, Noomen, who had shot them down.

They were soon deep in a technical discussion with Noomen was still wearing his pyjamas under his flying suit.

Orders Not To Fire

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—In connection with the report that the British returned the Dutch fire, the official quarters that British bombers have very definite instructions, that should they inadvertently fly over neutral territory not to return the fire of neutral fighters if attacked.

Plane Lost Over Heligoland

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry recently announced that one of our aircraft was missing and had been shot down by Dutch aircraft.

Regarding a German High Command communique it is learned at the Air Ministry that one of our aircraft which was on a reconnaissance flight over Germany and Heligoland light failed to return.

Air Fight Over North Sea

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announced that Coastal Command aircraft, while on patrol over the North Sea to-day, encountered two enemy aircraft.

During a prolonged engagement, one enemy aircraft was repeatedly hit. It was seen to be seriously damaged and it is considered improbable that it was able to reach its base.

The British aircraft returned safely.

British Machine Damaged

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A Hudson reconnaissance machine returned to its aerodrome in East Scotland with its port engine out of commission after a successful encounter with two German machines.

Despite a damaged engine, the pilot made a magnificent landing. The air gunner said that they kept up a running fight for about half an hour, and when they turned back, smoke was pouring from the one on which they had concentrated.

The British machine was in a steep climb when a burst of fire caught the port engine.

Nazi Plane Over Shetlands

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A plane, believed to be German, was seen over the Shetland Islands to-day.

British fighters went up and the air raid warning siren sounded for about 20 minutes.

It is believed that no bombs were dropped.

British Success

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—British aircraft to-day shot down an enemy machine off the north-east coast of Scotland.

Four Planes Lost

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—In the past two or three days the Royal Air Force has lost four planes.

Two failed to return from a flight over north-west Germany and Heligoland light on Wednesday.

Another Hurricane was shot down during air battles on Tuesday. The pilot saved himself by means of his parachute.

The fourth plane was a Bristol Blenheim bomber.

It crashed in Holland yesterday after being intercepted by Dutch pursuit planes.

British Envoys To Exchange Views

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent states that the Government's decision to consult with the Ambassador at Ankara and the Balkan Ministers is neither novel nor surprising.

In the last war it was a frequent practice of the Government to call home Ministers to discuss the problems of their special zones.

It seems only reasonable, at a moment when the Balkans and the Near East are so much in the foreground, that the British representatives in these parts should be brought together to exchange their views under the aegis of the Foreign Minister.

Drury Lane Theatre Puts On War Show

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Drury Lane Theatre has re-opened for the first time since the war started.

The first performance was a farcical treat, prominent stage and screen stars entertaining 2,000 officers, and men and women of the anti-aircraft command.

During the performance, a telegram from the King was read. It was a reply to the greetings sent him from the audience.

Allied Forces In Near East

Desert Fighters Co-Operate

CAIRO, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The training and co-ordination of Allied forces in the Near East are progressing at an accelerated tempo.

The first combined manoeuvres between the British, Indian and Egyptian armies began in Egypt yesterday.

The Trans-Jordan frontier force is combining with Emir Abdullah's Arab Legion for the first time.

The exercises, which will last a week, will extend over the whole of Trans-Jordan and the once fierce desert raiders, who now form a disciplined and loyal desert patrol, will have their first experience of co-operation with British troops staged with all the realism of war.

Staff College Set Up

An emergency Staff College for British officers has been inaugurated in Palestine and Staff courses are already in progress.

Voluntary recruiting of Palestine Jews for service in France is steadily increasing.

Large numbers of Britain's young yeomanry army are arriving in Palestine for training and have acquired themselves well, earning the praise of veteran troops.

The more settled conditions in Palestine have enabled British troops to get down in earnest to real training for the first time in two years.

Detention Of Soviet Ships

Maisky's Interviews With Halifax

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Discussions have been proceeding between Mr. Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador in London, and the British Government about Britain's contraband control in the Pacific which has resulted in the detention of the 4,000 ton Vladimir Mayakovsky and the detention at Hongkong of the 2,500 ton Selenga.

Mr. Maisky has a number of discussions with the British Government about the Selenga which has been held up since the middle of January.

Russia's Argument

The question was again raised on Wednesday during his interview with Lord Halifax, his first interview since Russia invaded Finland.

Russia claims that the ships should be "launched" from the contraband control as they are not privately owned vessels but are owned by the State.

Great Britain recognises that State owned vessels would normally be exempt from control as in the case of warships, but takes the view that if they engaged in ordinary commercial traffic they must be treated in the same way as privately owned ships.

Mr. Burgin in N. Ireland Belfast To Aid In Winning War

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, announced to-day that a Belfast firm have received an order for 10,500 shells weekly. This is accompanied by a large capital contribution from the Imperial Exchequer towards the provision of a new plant and machinery.

Mr. Burgin said that this was only the beginning.

Mr. Burgin is visiting Northern Ireland to see the progress of its war efforts.

In a speech given to-day, Mr. Burgin said: "We are willing to throw our entire weight into the scales and like our gallant French allies we pledge ourselves to a total war. Although the light may be hard, long and inexpressibly horrible, the dice are loaded in favour of a victory for the Allies."

MAKING HIS POSITION FELT

BERLIN, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—All administrative offices in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia must in future have a portrait of Hitler hanging alongside that of the President of the states.

A despatch from Prague states that the Government have decreed this because it "is desirous of showing symbolically the position of the Protectorate in relation to that of the great German Reich."

The portrait of the president must hang on the left of Hitler's picture.

CANBERRA, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Australian Budget will be submitted to the Commonwealth Parliament on April 17.

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1.45 Variety with The Mills Brothers, Ginger Rogers, Charlie Kunz and The Hottlers—Funiculi Funiculi, Asleep in the Deep, The Mills Brothers (Four boys and a guitar), The Piccolino, Ginger Rogers with Orchestra, Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 14; Star Dust, Mr. Paganini, The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar), Harmonies Duets—Kronqvist Succession, Italian Favourites, The Hotlins.

2.15 Close Down. 6.00 An Hour of Dance Music. 7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Variety with Quentin MacLean, Charles Kullman, Olive Gilbert and Others—Lily of Laguna, Little Dolly Dreyfus, The Chorus, The Wings of Sleep, Mary Ellis and Olive Gilbert with Ivor Novello (at the Piano) and Orchestra; Rose of England, Edgar Elmes (Baritone), with Orchestra and Male Chorus; Haven of your Heart, Olive Gilbert (Contralto) with Orchestra; Serenade, The Song of Songs, Quentin MacLean; The World is Mine Tonight, By The Dark Lagoon, Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.05 Dvorak—Symphony No. 2 in D Minor, Op. 73—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Václav Talich.

8.40 Studio—Cello and Piano Recital by Ettore Pellegatti and Nura Rana—Indian Lament (Dvorak); Kreisler's La Gitana (Kreisler); Chaconne (Debussy); Villageoise (Poussin); Pavane Pour Une Infante De Turke (Ravel); Variations Symphoniques (Brahms).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary. 9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs". 9.45 Wagner's "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg" Act III, Scene 1-4. Characters and Soloists in order of appearance—David... Martin Kremer (Tenor); Hans Sachs... Hans Hermann Nissen (Bass); Walther von Stolzing... Torsten Ralf (Tenor); Beckmesser... Eugen Fuchs (Bass); Eva... Margarete Teschemacher (Soprano); Magdalena... Lene Jung (Soprano); with Chorus of the Dresden State Opera and the Saxon State Orchestra. Conductor, Karl Bohm.

11.00 Close Down.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The increased immoral suggestiveness of the partially-concealed or the nudely-exposed was once more exemplified at the unusually pious Barnum's Olympia show in London, where a lady acrobat showed in the ordinary female garb a novel contrivance from the shoulders of one male companion to another "with great neatness, revealing little of her lower extremities."

Our latest Australian advice informs us that poor old Ike Austin—who ran a shooting alley with distinguished success for several months about eight years ago—the lately opened classes in Sydney "to instruct ladies and gentlemen in the art of using firearms." It is interesting to note that the "revolver" is a specialty. Ike was a curiosity in his way but he could shoot. He left here for the Colonies with Litherland Cunard, who at one time was partner with Keller the best man at legendary Hongkong has ever seen.

The Prince of Monaco recently promised his wife to close the gambling bank of another suicide. The suicide has happened, but the bank is still open.

25 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1915. The official German account of the Russian raid on Memel says that the Kaiser's son, Prince Joachim, accompanied the troops which liberated the town.

"Reuter's" correspondent at Vienna states that the civil population at Cracow has been ordered to leave the city immediately, in expectation of a siege.

10 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1930. The German Government has resigned owing to differences between the Party leaders and the Government on the financial programme.

A number of the important West German steel concerns are being merged in a new Ruhr steel company with a total capital of Reich. Marks. 30,000,000. The combine is capable of producing nearly half a million tons of raw steel annually.

Both the Vereinigten Stahlwerke (the German steel trust) and Thyssen are represented on the Board of the new company. (Thyssen, who controlled this big combine, is now a refugee from Vietnam—Ed.)

Hostilities between the Nationalist and anti-Nationalist forces have broken out in Honan, near Chengchow, following the Nationalist evacuation of the city. The Nationalist forces are being pursued by the Kuomintang troops.

While it is admitted by official circles in Nanking that the Chiang Kai-shek regime is facing a serious military crisis, threatening the overthrow of the Government, Marshal Chiang is quoted as saying that he is confident of the success of the Nationalist forces.

The Kuomintang, Leftist, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, known for his former association with Mr. Borah, has issued a public proclamation which is published in Chinese newspapers in Peking and Tientsin stating that he fully supports Marshal Yen Hsien-shan.

Mr. Wang suggests that Marshal Yen should proceed immediately to Peking and there establish an anti-Nationalist Government. Mr. Wang's telegram is regarded by observers as a political gesture to secure the sympathy of the Shanghai militarists.

5 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1935. The King has approved the appointment of Mr. G. M. B. as Governor General of the Dominion of Canada in succession to Lord Desborough whose term of office expires shortly.

Desborough is at present engaged on a farewell tour of Western Canada. Mr. Bouchie, who is an accomplished man of letters, is the first commoner to be appointed Governor General of Canada. Lord Tweedmouth (John Buchan) died recently—Ed.)

With Mr. J. D. Butcher's departure for home the Blue Funnel Line's Ammanam yesterday, Mr. V. Sorby has assumed the position of Manager of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. with which he has been associated for over thirty years.

Air Chief Resigns His Office

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that at his own request Marshal of the Air Force Sir Edward Ellington is vacating the post of Inspector-General of the Royal Air Force.

He is succeeded by Air Chief Marshal Sir Edgar Ludlow-Hewitt. (Sir Edward Ellington came to Hongkong some years ago on a tour of inspection.)

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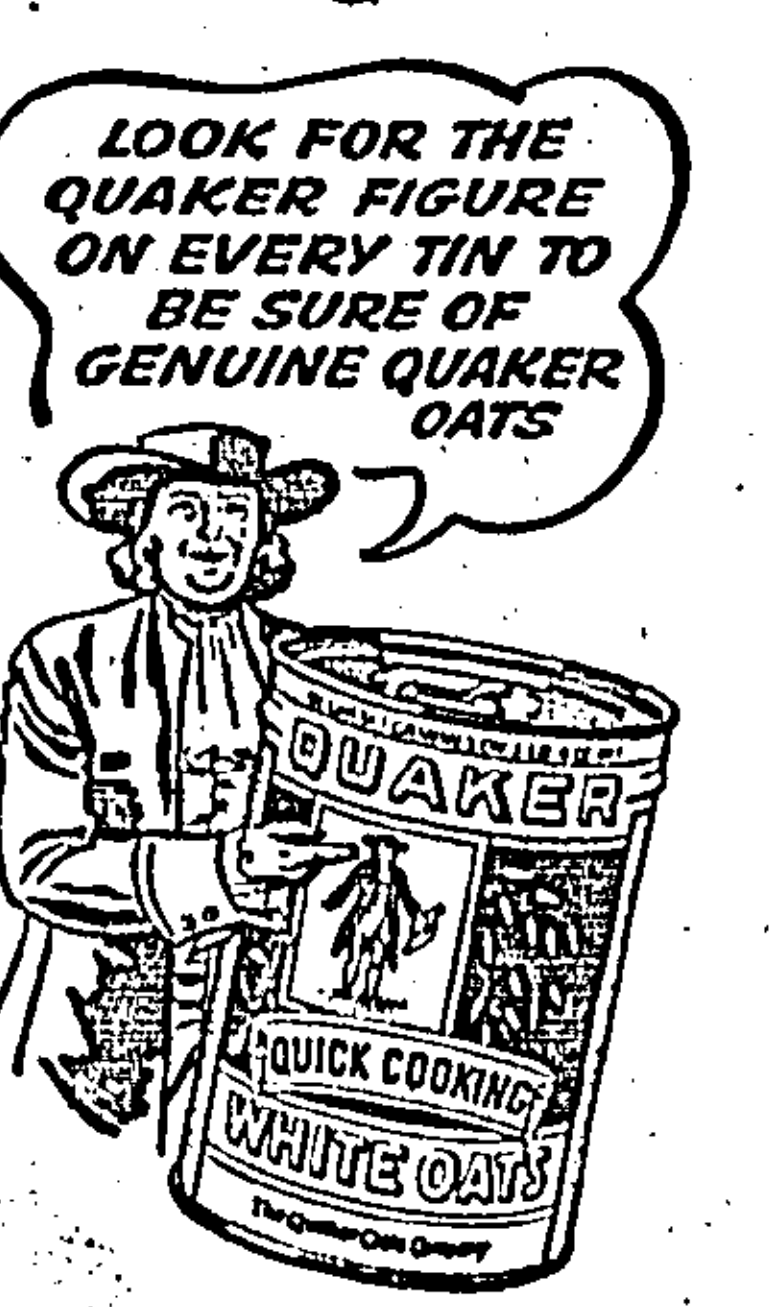


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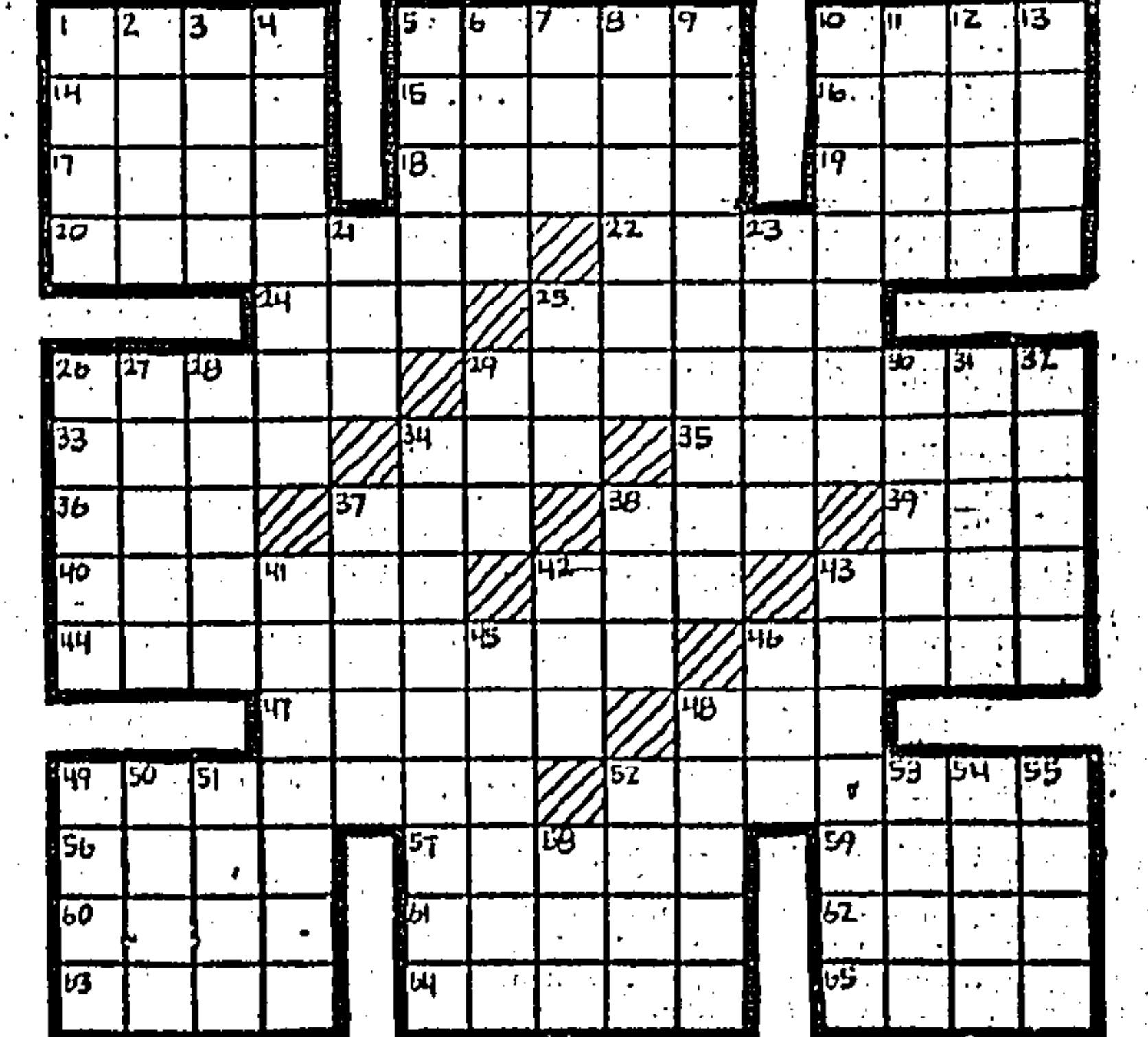
By LAIS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Beardianian
- 2—Kind of weasel
- 3—Hill cards
- 4—Shaped like egg
- 5—Lying device
- 6—Small river-duck
- 7—Travel business
- 8—Musical show
- 9—Italian money
- 10—Titled
- 11—In virtuous manner
- 12—Bird
- 13—Wading bird
- 14—Bird
- 15—Metal cage
- 16—Oval money to
- 17—Leaves of light
- 18—Immoderate passion
- 19—Ninth
- 20—Nail-like part
- 21—Hill
- 22—Festive
- 23—Devotedly
- 24—Laid open
- 25—Festive
- 26—One who catches
- 27—Minister's speech
- 28—Widow's section
- 29—Whisper word in
- 30—New X-ray canal
- 31—Demon

DOWN

- 1—Not brought up correctly
- 2—Starts (obscure)
- 3—Furrow with tip
- 4—Of first
- 5—Kremness of intellect
- 6—Director of Georgia
- 7—Line foot of
- 8—English nobleman
- 9—Kill
- 10—Hill
- 11—Tied flowers
- 12—Small fodder
- 13—Good time
- 14—Scottish memorial
- 15—Vase
- 16—Sound of crow
- 17—Child
- 18—Course
- 19—Hill
- 20—Dressing place
- 21—Narrow band
- 22—Small cushion
- 23—Trek
- 24—Country work
- 25—Sea-symph
- 26—Drinking counter
- 27—Flat table-lands
- 28—Part of horse
- 29—Pony
- 30—Tuna
- 31—Whirl
- 32—Verbal
- 33—Pine
- 34—Plant embryo
- 35—Strong brew



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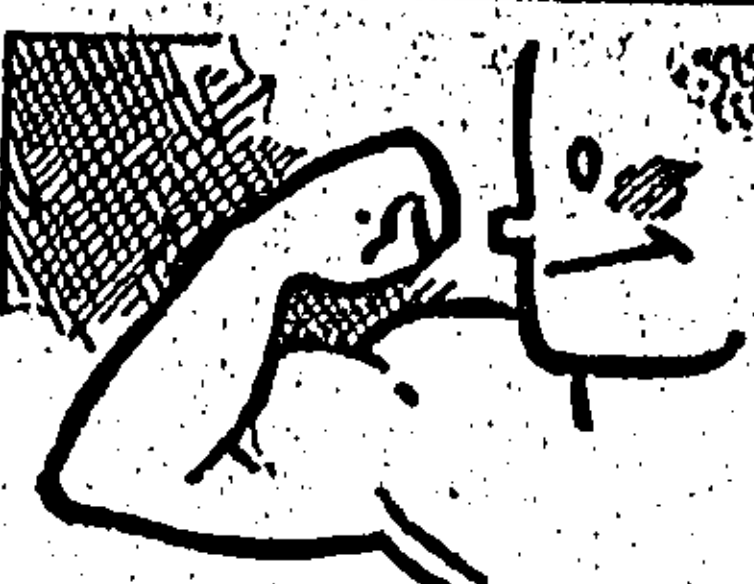
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Food Prices And Cost Of Living

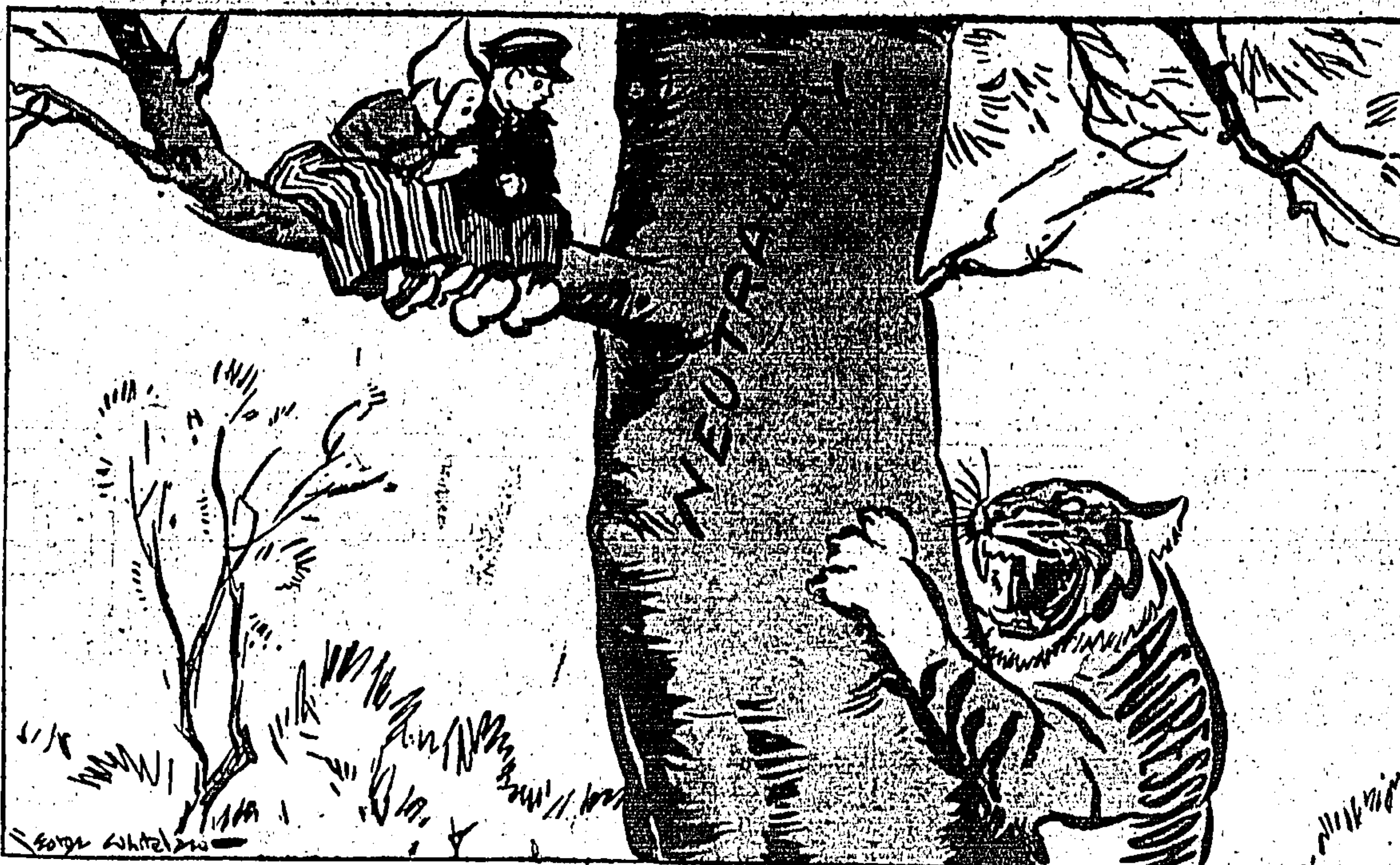
THE cost-of-living index dates from the last war, and its introduction then was symptomatic. In war under modern conditions prices must always keep on rising if they are left to themselves. When they have come to pinch the working-class consumer, determined demands are made for higher wages; and these, again, under war conditions cannot long be resisted. But they never permanently overtake prices. For, even if they do so temporarily in a particular instance, the increased spending-power conferred on the workers soon drives the prices higher again. That is the "vicious spiral" which produced the inflation of 1914-18. It caused unemployment in many classes and hardship in nearly all for at least ten years after the war was over.

Most people agree, in the abstract, that we ought now, as far as possible, to avoid repeating it. But how far can we? In "cost of living" there are three main ingredients—food, clothing, and house-room. It is impossible to prevent the costs of the first two from rising at the source. Both are affected by submarine sinkings, by the delays due to convey, by higher insurance rates, and in the case of clothing by heavy extra demands from the armed forces for uniforms. The question is, how far the State should allow these rises to be borne by the ordinary consumer, and how far it can intervene to divert them from him. Two main lines of intervention are open to it—rationing and subsidy. Rationing checks the price-rise by limiting demand. Subsidy checks it by artificially cheapening supply.

In the last war neither was resorted to until the struggle had been in progress for years. By then the upward movement had acquired a momentum which could not be arrested, though some brakes were put on its acceleration. In the present war it was inevitable that action should be taken much earlier. Subsidies began about the beginning of last December, and rationing soon after the beginning of this year. According to the full statement made in Parliament by Sir John Simon, the present cost of the milk subsidy is £236,000 a week, of the meat subsidy £320,000, of the bacon subsidy £80,000, of the bread subsidy £480,000. Thus the Exchequer is already contributing £1,116,000 a week to keep down prices to the consumer.

Mr. Keynes has pointed out—and Sir John Simon agrees—that subsidies are not a complete policy, and, unless balanced by others, may even be dangerous. For they encourage consumption, which, generally speaking, needs to be discouraged. Milk and bread can be justified as exceptions—milk because its production still leaves a large margin which, for health reasons, it would be better to see consumed in equal division; bread, because it is a necessity for the poorest and its cheapening does not augur the better-to-do to eat more of it. But bacon is rightly rationed, and meat is about to be.

The motive for rationing, of course, is not merely to keep down cost of living, but to secure an equal division of restricted supplies. The question of supplies is primarily one of tonnage, though that of foreign exchange plays also an important part in it. And both are only aspects of a larger proposition, viz., that we can only throw a maximum of the nation's resources into the means for winning the war, in proportion as we reduce to a minimum the demands made on those resources by ordinary civil consumption.



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BLITZKRIEG?—the Lowlands are prepared

BY BERNARD MOORE

ONCE more in their long history, a history that has earned for them the title of "Cockpit" of Europe, the Lowland countries are standing to arms.

From the mouth of the River Ems to the hilly borders of Luxembourg a million or more men are ready to meet the invasion which they fear threatens them.

More than half of them are Belgians, sons of the men who fought desperately to stem the German advance of 1914, in some cases the men themselves.

The remainder are the Dutch, a people who have known peace for years, but who are resolutely determined to defend the neat farms and tulip fields that are somehow characteristic of Holland's tradition of neutrality.

Once again David faces Goliath.

But both in Holland and Belgium it is realised that the two armies, notwithstanding the assistance their natural defences provide, cannot hope alone to withhold a German advance for more than a limited time.

There is, however, one important factor in the Lowlands' defence dispositions. Her own history and the tragedies that have befallen small States in the past few years have taught Belgium to prepare for the worst.

Holland, which for 100 years has avoided war, has been kept fully informed by her neighbour of threatening developments. The element of surprise which enabled the Kaiser's Uhlans to stream across the Belgian border in 1914 can now be discounted.

Plan "D" which the Belgian Army Command put into operation during the week-end is the last stage but one in a defence scheme which has been perfected during the past decade by Belgium's military experts.

Already the peace-time Army of 90,000 has swollen to 200,000 men. If it is found necessary to put into operation Plan "E" there will be over 1,000,000 men under arms in Belgium alone.

And they will be a highly trained force whose members have all served between 12 and 18 months with the colours, undergoing intensive preparation. Belgium has been pushing on with the mechanisation of the land army during the past five years.

She has the latest tank models and tractor-mounted guns. Her frontiers bristle with ingenious tank traps designed to frustrate any attempt at a Blitzkrieg.

Belgium knows that Britain and France were pledged by the Treaty of Locarno to go to her aid if she were invaded, and although

Locarno is now a dead letter, the undertaking has been renewed. Her main defences, therefore, are designed to check an invading force until such time as help could come.

Along her frontier have been built tiny concrete pill-boxes holding one or two marksmen only. The men who man these pill-boxes have sworn to die rather than let the enemy pass.

Behind the pill-boxes are trenches marked by "asparagus" beds for tanks. Some miles behind the trenches are Belgium's main defences, the rivers and canals.

In the north is the King Albert Canal, more than 100 yards wide, with steep, deep banks. Along its 200-mile south bank lies a line of low businesslike looking forts whose concrete and steel walls are believed to be capable of standing up to any bombardment.

From Liege, itself heavily fortified, run three lines of similar forts, most important of them being that along the rugged banks of the River Meuse.

Talking of this defence line, one humorist said that anyone trying to break through it would need three suits. One, a climbing outfit to clamber up and down the

steep river banks; then a diver's suit to cross the water; and finally a suit of heavy armour to get anywhere near the forts.

A few years ago Belgium's Air Force was a pathetic handful of rather old-fashioned planes. Today it is still small compared with the armadas of the Great Powers, but its commander, Major-General Duvivier, regards it as a swarm with a vicious sting.

Holland's fighting forces, perhaps because they have not fought for so long, are something of an unknown quantity. Last time the Dutch fought in Europe was in 1831, when they conducted a brief 10 days' campaign in connection with the separation of Belgium from Holland.

For peace-time strength at home is some 16,000 troops in four divisions, with an overseas army of 40,000, for, don't forget, Holland has an extensive Empire.

To-day, she has something under half a million men under arms, with mobilisation only partially completed. They have all seen service under the Colours, for Holland has compulsory military service.

Like the Belgians, they have been

intensively trained, and Holland's Army Chief, Major-General I. H. Reynders, has worked out a plan of defence particularly suited to the country.

The system of flooding is well known; not so well known are Holland's skating infantry, armed with Mannlicher carbines, who may one day play the same rôle in Holland that the crack skiers of Finland are playing to-day.

Unlike Belgium (which has one fishery protection vessel) Holland has a fleet.

It consists of five cruisers carrying 6-inch guns, one coastal defence ship (11-inch guns), eight destroyers (with four building), 12 torpedo boats (with 33 building), 21 submarines (with nine building), and a number of minelayers and minesweepers.

Her fleet is ninth largest in the world.

Almost as important as the Army is the potential defence force provided by the Dutch population.

All civilians between the ages of 18 and 60 are liable to be called upon to assist the military authorities.

They may be called upon to repair damaged roads, bridges and railways damaged by bombs; to build or pull down fortifications; to build and dig watercourses, help in the reinforcement of dykes and canal banks.

Like Belgium, Holland's Air Force is small but efficient, consisting largely of the famous Fokker planes.

These are the armies, small but highly trained, equipped with the latest weapons of war, which wait for any German move against their countries.

Latest news from the Lowlands is most reassuring. But, even if this crisis blows over too, the Lowlanders, armed and resolute, will watch and wait.

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

Ally and Enemy Personnel

By LEWIS SPENCE

Thrice Armed

And there is this to be remembered: no public is so liberally educated in the political sense as the French. It realises precisely for what it is fighting, and a people which knows that it is thrice armed. It may be added that in all ages no troops in Europe have ever been the equals of the French in technical knowledge and use of their weapons, be these swords, matchlocks, Lewis-guns, or modern artillery.

The German is a good, handy soldier as regards weight, romantically courageous, and with an almost adolescent sentiment about military glory. His sense of esprit-de-corps is high, but is apt to partake of the nature of herd-instinct, and the best among them are determined fighters. In his first years of military life he is usually carefree and good-natured, but a year or so of soldiering seems to make him sullen and sour. He imbibes the Prussian military tradition, which is a callous philosophy for a fighting man, even if he be intoxicated by Nazi enthusiasm.

I fully believe that the German soldier has nearly always been hampered by a wholly unimaginative leadership, bound to hard-and-fast strategic dogmas, which makes no provision for unforeseen occurrences, such-and-such circumstances.

The sense of personal enterprise among the German peasant rank and file is almost nil, that to be found in the city battalions being only a little more developed. As has been said by a keen observer, there is "a suicide flash-point" in the character of the German townsman, a tendency to sudden psychological breakdown and despair when confronted with precisely those overwhelming conditions which bring out the best qualities of the Briton.

Unimaginative Leaders

No population has been so subjected of the doctrines of morbid psychological theorists and pseudo-philosophers, as that of the great German cities, and this has induced in them a keen sense of the tragedy of existence. The modern tendencies in thought of the hyper-"civilised" communities of Germany are apt to produce what the German himself calls "brain-sickness" and a belief that the world is very much what Mrs. Gamp called "a wale of sorrow"—by no means the best philosophy for a fighting man, even if he be intoxicated by Nazi enthusiasm.

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Y. M. C. A. AMATEURS SCORE HIT

"Housomaster" A Fine Production

The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club's production of "Housomaster" provides stimulating, clever to Hong-kong's current entertainment season and fully merits a prominent position in the honours list of the Colony's amateur stage productions.

Last night's opening performance was by no means without blemish, but the defections were so slight that they could not affect the general impression—that an amusing play had been excellently performed.

Starbuck Stars

Leonard Starbuck captured chief honours for a splendid portrayal in which clever voice inflection, smooth acting and a decided "stage personality" constituted the chief features. As the play pivots around him as Charles Donkin, the lovable, understanding Housomaster, practically all the scenes are dominated by his presence. The role is, therefore, of extreme importance, and Mr. Starbuck's interpretation was as polished a piece of work as we have had the pleasure of seeing from any amateur player. We suggest that considerable more use might be made of Mr. Starbuck's talents in the future to the general satisfaction of the play-going public of the Colony.

Fine Supporting Cast

He is supported by a very conscientious cast, in which William Colledge as a self-conscious lover, William Robertson as a caustic, casual colleague of Donkin's, John Greenberg as a jocular diplomat-in-the-making, Geoffrey Eastgate as the Rev. Edmund Ovington, bumptious, unsympathetic headmaster, and Henry Smith as Old Crump, dumb but dutiful, figure prominently.

Important parts are competently handled by Dora Lancaster as the conscientious Barbara Fane, who gives up 17 years of her life bringing up three young girls possessed with modern ideas, Lillian McFarlane and Olive Starbuck as the two nieces, and William Ashton as Sir Berkeley Nightingale, whose skillful "wire-pulling" finally brings the play to a happy ending.

Clever Juveniles

Miss Sylvia Bous and Master Peter Sale play the juvenile parts with a pleasing flair, and the latter, but quite important roles are well taken by Robert Bonney, Phyllis Colledge, Rita Cole, Bryan Brencley and Tony Cole.

The play is produced by John Burley with a sympathetic and comprehending touch, and all those associated with the production have every reason to feel wholly satisfied with the results of their efforts.

Further performances will be given to-night and again to-morrow night at 9 o'clock, the proceeds being devoted to the British War Organisation Fund.—S.A.G.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary—Issued yesterday says:

A fair exchange in the Hongkong Banks at \$1,400 and Unions at \$510 took place. The rest of the market was quiet, though there were signs that buyers may shortly be taking rather more interest.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,400
Docks \$214
China Light (Old) \$8.10
China Light (New) \$3.25
Dairy Farms (Old) \$214 X.D.
Watsons \$10.15
Entertainments \$6.70 X.D.

Sellers
H.K. Bank \$1,250
Docks \$221
Provident \$3.20
Lands \$374
Tramways \$174
Yau Ma Tei 20 1/2
Telephones (Old) \$30
Telephones (New) \$11 1/2
Watsons \$10.40
Sales

Union \$1,400
Humphreys \$9
Tramways \$17.65/17 1/2
China Light \$8.20
China Light (New) \$3.40
Electric \$3 1/2
Dairy Farms (Old) \$214 X.D.
Watsons \$10.35

MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks	14 1/2	b
Antismok	15	b
Baguio Gold	12 1/2	b
Batong Buay	10	b
Big Wedge	10 1/2	b
Coco Grove	10 1/2	b
Con. Mines	10 1/2	b
Demonstration	10 1/2	b
East Mind	10 1/2	b
I. X. L.	10 1/2	b
Ipo Gold	10 1/2	b
Hogan Mining	10 1/2	b
Masbate Con.	10 1/2	b
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Mine Operation	10 1/2	b
North Camarines	10 1/2	b
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San Mateo	10 1/2	b
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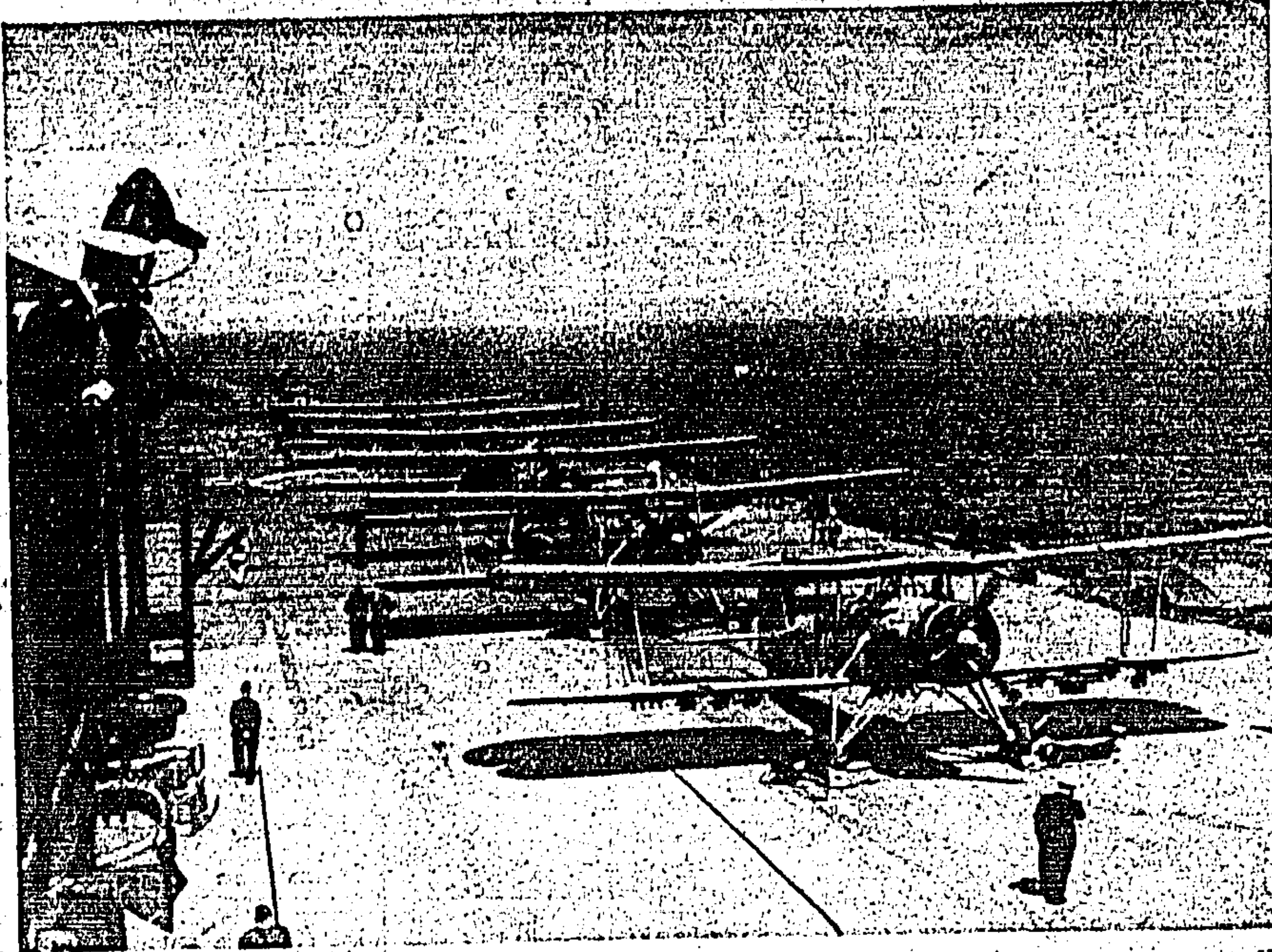
IF WAR SPREADS TO NEAR EAST

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 28 (UP).—It was announced by a semi-official source to-day that the conference of French, British and Turkish military chiefs at Aleppo has reached a complete agreement concerning the nature of operations in the Near East in the event of a war being extended to that area as the result of a German or Russian attack.

Colonel Silbert, former Director of the Munich Military Academy, returned to Berlin yesterday after his visit to the Near East, and is reported to have expressed lively apprehensions because of the rapidly with which the Allies and Turkey have co-ordinated their plans.

HERE'S THE SHIP THAT GOEBBELS SUNK



Nazi propaganda was given a nasty slap in the eye when, after it had been repeatedly claimed that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had been sunk by the Germans, the warship turned up safe and sound, first in Cape Town and now this last week in an English port. This interesting picture shows aircraft lined up ready to take off from the flight deck of the Ark Royal.—Crown Copyright.

Canadian Elections

Govt. Wins In Provinces

Social Credit Party Returned

EDMONTON, Alberta, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Social Credit Government, led by Dr. Aberhart, the 61-year-old Bible teacher and religious broadcaster, has been returned to power in the provincial election.

The latest reports on the voting state that parties are as follows: Social Credit 29, Independent 17 and Labour one.

The Social Credit candidates are leading in nine other constituencies and the independents in one.

British Press Reactions
LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Canadian elections were the subject of leading articles in the British Press to-day.

The "Times" says that even those who were critical of and distrusted the government preferred to leave the conduct of the war in their hands.

The "Daily Herald" comments that the various "Stop-the-war" candidates were annihilated. Canada has given an overwhelming demonstration of her resolve to stand beside Britain in the fight for freedom.

The same view was expressed by the "Manchester Guardian" and the "Yorkshire Post".

The latter says that the people of Britain are greatly cheered by this fresh evidence of Canada's resolution to stand shoulder to shoulder to defeat Hitler. The British Empire is as true as steel, says the paper.

KING APPROVES APPOINTMENT

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King to-day approved the appointment of Sir Ian Colquhoun as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Sir Ian, who is 53 years of age, is the Chief of his Clan and Lord-Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire. He was appointed Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1932.

He is also the Lord Rector of Glasgow University, a position which he has held since 1934.

Sir Ian served in the Great War.

Refuse To Meet Germans

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A flat refusal to meet German representatives on neutral territory in war-time was given by French industrialists in response to the invitation to participate in the conference of the International Chamber of Commerce.

The French National Committee of the International Chamber issued a denial to the Press of reports alleging the presence of authorised French delegates, and pointed out that its refusal to send delegates to The Hague was notified some time ago in agreement with the French Government.

Concentrating On War Effort

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The way in which the British motor industry is concentrating on work for the Army and Air Force and how Britain is going all out for petrol rationing is shown by the figures for last month's registrations.

Less than 10,000 cars were registered for the first time, as compared with 34,000 for February, 1939.

WESTERN FRONT INFANTRY, AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, March 28, (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News Agency) to-day reports from the Western Front: "There has been slight enemy infantry and artillery activity reported from the neighbourhood of Perl. The enemy artillery fire has been somewhat livelier, but consists mainly of intermittent fire from the Zweibrücken sector."

"North-east of Saargemünd a French pillbox was blown up by a German patrol. In the neighbourhood southwest of Pirmasens an enemy half platoon which attempted to attack a German post was repulsed. There were no losses on the German side but the enemy lost several."

Air Activity Limited

"Air force activity on the Western Front has been of little importance and limited sharp opposition was encountered from French pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns. Successful reconnaissance flights were also carried out over the North Sea."

"British bombers attempted to attack German outposts ships in the Heligoland Bight. They dropped a number of bombs which all missed their targets and fell into the water. They were forced to fight by German pursuit planes and one British Bristol-Blenheim was brought down after which all the others took flight. All the German planes, as in the previous day, returned without losses."

Raid Over Germany

"During the evening and night of March 27-28 a number of enemy planes flew over northern and western Germany. In the Eiffel district one British plane was brought down in flames by German A.A. guns. The crew parachuted and have been made prisoners."

"Hostile planes in several instances again violated the neutrality of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, both on their outward and homeward flights."

Nazi Artillery in Action

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Considerably more German artillery activity than is customary occurred yesterday in the regions of the East of the Saar and the Vosges.

Long-range fire was concentrated on the woods and points in the French lines.

The French, however, retaliated to a similar extent and the exchange reached considerable proportions for some time.

Both sides sent out patrols and there were some encounters in No-man's-land.

Frontier Partly Re-Opened

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Government has partly reopened the frontier with Holland which they sealed up ten days ago.

Until to-day a wire barrier prevented all traffic between the two countries.

Now, for 10 1/2 hours every day people who possess the necessary visas are allowed to pass unhindered through the gaps in the barriers.

New Air Service

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Royal Dutch Air Lines will shortly start a service between Amsterdam and Lisbon and Oporto. This service will connect with the Pan-American trans-Atlantic service between Portugal and America.

Allied Economic Mission

Success Now Assured

Important Agreement Reached

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—It is predicted here that the almost complete success of the Allied Economic Mission of Mr. G. Ashton-Gwatkin and M. Charles Rist will be announced in the immediate future.

Arrangements are said to have been reached, among other things, for:

(1) Resumption of British purchases, on a small scale, of American tobacco and fruits.

(2) Establishment of a control station on the eastern coast of Canada.

(3) Perfection of the navicert system as regards American ships.

(4) Permission for certain German products, which the United States cannot purchase elsewhere, to pass through the Contraband Control. Britain is reported to have taken an unalterable firm stand on the question of censorship of mails.

Guaranteed War-Time Needs

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Arrangements have now been completed to ensure the import for the next 12 months of all that Britain needs as well as all to be bought for normal re-export.

Contracts have been made by the Ministry of Food and private firms will be able to import under licence only.

All Government purchases are being made from the Empire as a means for conserving foreign exchange because the Empire products take up less space in ships.

SENTRIES GUARD FISHING FLEET

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Armed sentries were placed on guard over all neutral cargo and fishing vessels at Grimsby, Hull, to-day.

At this port and also at Scottish east coast ports, crews of neutral vessels are forbidden to go ashore and no one from the shore is allowed to visit the ships.

It is understood that these developments are in connection with the tightening up of the regulations which restrict the movement of foreign seamen. A new decree against the leakage of information which might be useful to the enemy is believed to have been inaugurated.

FINNS GIVEN NEW HEART

HELSINKI, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The formation of a new Finnish Government has put fresh heart into the Finns.

They were at first stunned by Russia's immediate demands but Helsinki is now coming back to normal. There are more people in the streets while the hotels, cafes and cinemas are doing better business.

The new Cabinet has been well received. The Cabinet is considered to be an organisation of specialists well fitted to carry out the reconstruction programme.

Greece Reinforces Her Defences

ATHENS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The defences of Greece have recently been reinforced.

It is learned that the Metaxas Line, named after the Greek Dictator General Metaxas, now includes 3,000 concrete defence works.

NEUTRAL A REMINDER COMMENTS

Norway Not Blind To War Situation

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Oslo newspaper, "Fridensstern", remarks: "It is clear that when the British violate our neutrality we must protest. That does not mean that we are blind to the basic difference between the German and British violations, and we are undeniably surprised when the German Press makes a fuss about the latter and talks about international law. People in glass houses must not throw stones, and Mr. Chamberlain's words that British warfare has not yet cost a single neutral citizen's life still hold good."

The "Bruxelles Peuple" says: "At a moment when Germany makes such great efforts to lighten the bonds with Russia and constitute a triple alliance, the Russian meekness to the energetic French gesture will not be appreciated in Berlin."

Not Backing Down

The "Los Angeles Times" says: "Those who talk glibly of the prospects of an imminent negotiated peace coming from the blue evidently fail to realise that such a formidable world power as the British Empire has not mobilised its tremendous resources only to back down without making any use of them or trying their luck in the field of battle."

The "New York Times" on the Canadian elections says: "Mr. MacKenzie King must feel well pleased with himself to-day. The docks are clear in marking the words 'For a vigorous war effort by a united country.'"

Misguided Germans

ANKARA, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The newspaper, "Ulus", says: "The Germans were misguided to undertake a war of nerves against the British people, whose nerves are not easily affected. Indeed they possess none."

DUTCH OFFICIAL IMPRISONED

Gave Information In Germany

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A former high Dutch official of the Ministry of Economics has just received a stiff prison sentence for giving away information to Germany. According to the "Telegraph" he gave information to Germany which led to the sinking of at least one Dutch ship. He also had photographic copies of official Ministry documents in his possession.

He was sentenced to 2 1/2 years imprisonment. His wife was given 18 months and his clerk two years.

French Decorate British Soldiers

WITH THE B.E.F. Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Coming straight from a night patrol in No-man's-land, Captain J. H. Hudson and Fusilier Worsley of the Lancashire Fusiliers this morning received the Croix de Guerre at the hands of a French general in a meadow immediately behind the Maginot Line.

Members of the Lancashire Fusiliers and French infantrymen provided a guard of honour.

Captain Hudson and Fusilier Worsley were members of a patrol which defeated a German patrol on March 20.

NEW ADVISER TO LORD ZETLAND

LONDON, Mar. 28 (British Wireless).—The Secretary of State for India has appointed Dewan Bahadur Ranganathan as his adviser under Section 178 of the Government of India Act of 1935 in the vacancy which was to have been filled by the late Sir A. T. Panimalar.

The new adviser, who is an Indian Christian, was Vice-Chancellor of Annamalai University from 1929 to 1935 and has been Vice-Chancellor of Madras University since May, 1937.

SUMMER-TIME IN TIENTSIN

TIENTSIN, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—Summer time will be introduced in the British area here on April 1.

TO ALL FEVER SUFFERERS

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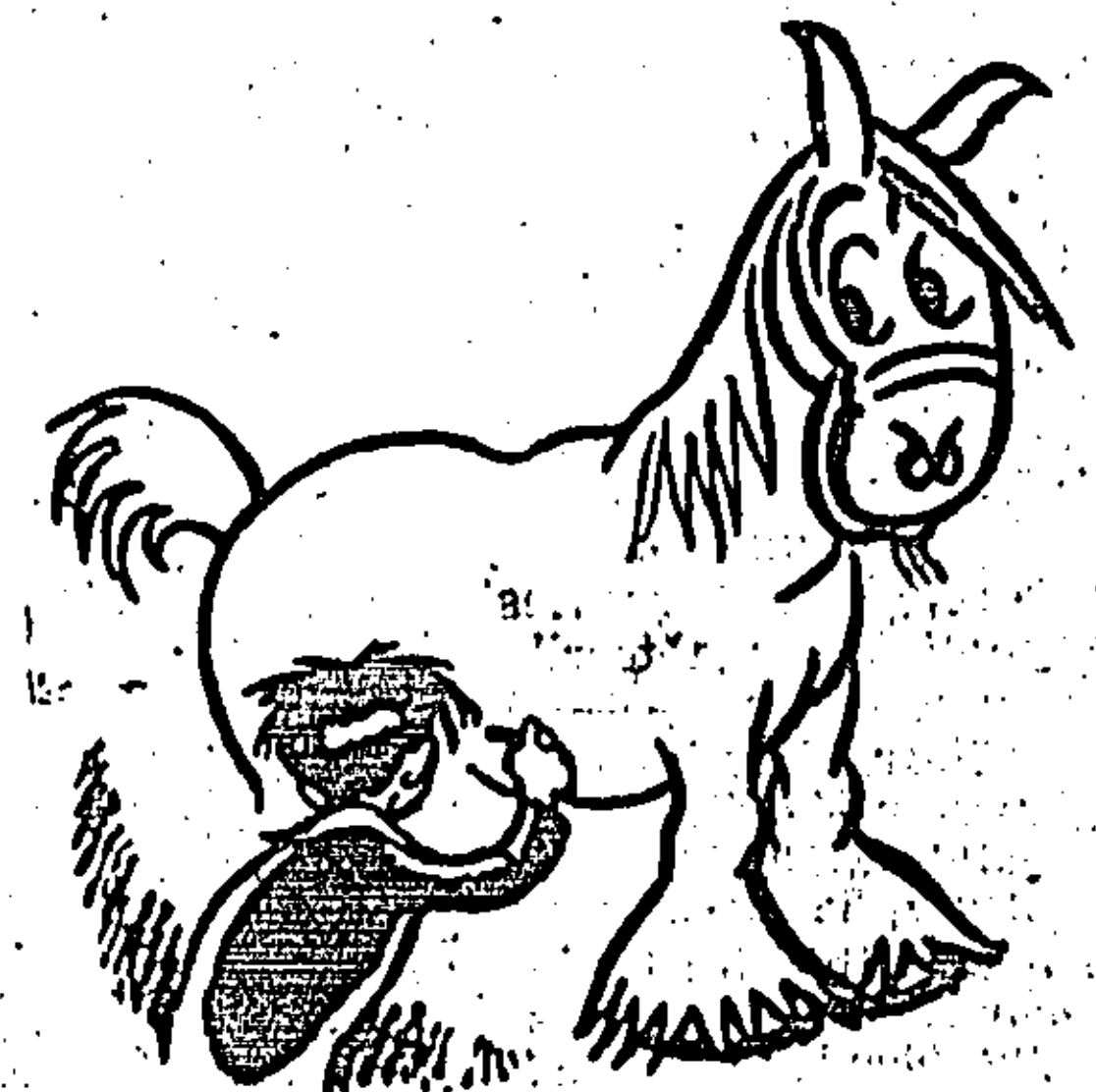
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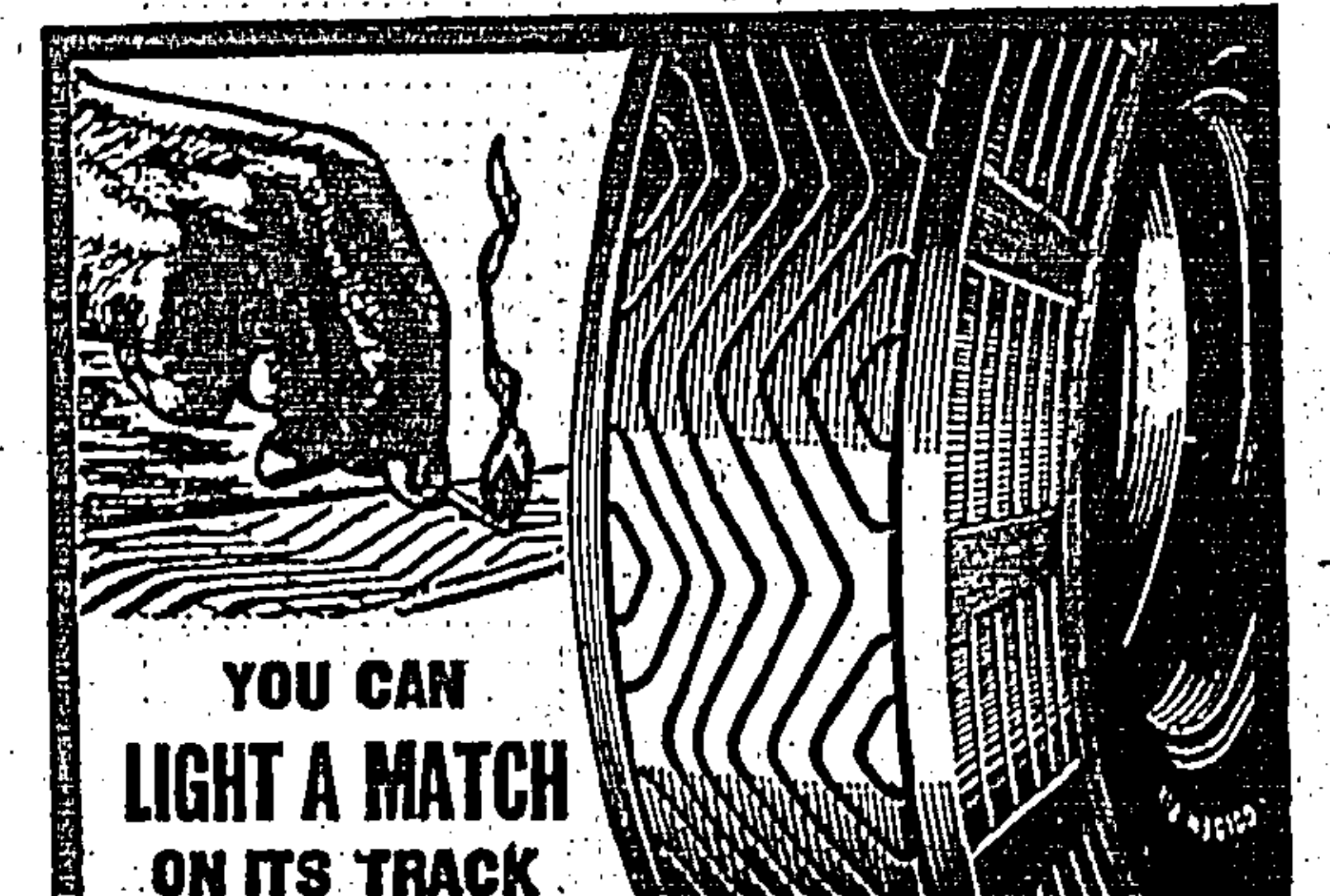
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EASTER MEET. PROVIDES THRILLS FOR BIG CROWD

More Australians For Hongkong

A notice by the Hongkong Jockey Club has been received inviting members to subscribe for Australian ponies to be raced in 1941, and it is interesting to relate that the list is limited to 125, which is double the last consignment.

It will be recalled that this year's batch consisted of 61 ponies and there were three sections of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, each having 16, 15 and 14 runners respectively at the big meeting. It fully subscribed, which I am positive it will, is no exaggeration to predict that we will have four or five sections at 1941 annual meeting. The cost is \$700 per pony, but ladies who are not lady racing members of the club must be duly nominated before their names can be added to the subscription list.

This intended lot of 125 ponies plus the 50 of a superior class mentioned in my notes of March 8, would give us a total of 175 new animals from the Antipodes and it can be safely said that the events for China ponies at the 1941 Annual Carnival will be in the minority.

MARBER HEADS LIST OF WINNING OWNERS

IT SEEMED that Mr. B. W. Bradbury's (who is on the high sea to South Africa) stable could not go wrong at the Easter Meeting, for he has collected a total sum of \$2,100 contributed by Hughber, Jobber, Johnner and Wilber. The performance of Johnner in the opening event, the Mrs. Bay Stakes, was amazing because he beat the much fancied O-Lan (Mr. Needa) by one and a half lengths in 1.59 flat for a mile run, and we should, therefore, take a note of the Marber's candidate as a mudlark.

I was delighted to see Mr. A. H. Penn's Valorous (well known performer on a muddy course) sloshing through the heaviest track in years after a terrible downpour, and with the able assistance of Mr. Trevorton, the combination won the Gin Drinkers Bay (half a mile) in 1.05%. Valorous is the oldest racer on the list of the lucky stables:

Marber's	Hughber	3000	
	Jobber	000	
	Johnner	000	
	Wilber	000	\$2,100
L. Dunbar's	Confusion Bay	025	
	Dupont Bay	000	
	Mount Hope Bay	200	1,325
T. K. Li's	O-Lan	000	
	Ognagh	400	1,300
Eu Tong-sen's	Rose Emily	000	
	Springhurst	000	1,200
Lucky's	Lucky Lady	000	
	Some Hope	200	
	Sydney Lad	300	1,100
Kang Brothers'	Gay Star	000	
	Hopeful Star	300	900
H. Leigh's	Guinness Time	000	
	Cocoa's	000	
	Violet Queen	200	800
S. L. K's	Celtic Star	000	
	Many Thanks	000	
L. Roldy's	White Diamond	000	
Diamonds'	Murumbidgee	000	
Gredka's	Bruno	000	
G. Trevorton's	Sapper	000	
Mrs. A. E. Garsett's	Valorous	000	
Helenside's	Blue Diamond	000	
Hung's	Fel Ying	000	
H. and H's	Burford	000	
Quatermaster's	Far View	300	
Lan's	Peaceful View	200	500
Unitor's	Phoenix	450	
Manetta's	Chatterbox	450	
Li Po-chun's	Distinctive Time	200	
	This Time	200	400
Ash's	Rowan	300	
C. N. K's	Radium Star	300	
Yan Men's	Australian Prince	300	
Dr. Leo Shiu-kee's	Portrush	300	
Huo's	Franklin	300	
S. W. Lee's	West Lake	300	
H. Y. Ling's	Perola d'Orléans	300	
H. and W's	Advancing Time	300	
Birds'	Spargrow	200	
V. M. Grayburn's	Avon	200	
J. G. Whittaker's	Clover	200	
Neerlandia's	Flying Dutchman	200	
Sunnyside's	The Tigris	200	
P. M. Hoo's	Tarzan	200	
Vick's Chalm's	Lancashire Lass	200	
M. H. T's	Double Chance	200	
Weeks's	Fair Chance	200	
Miss Li Po-chun's	Red Feather	200	
G. Tinson's	Vixen Tor	200	
Fons'	Laughing Girl	200	
			\$22,300

Open Doubles Matches Yesterday

Very mediocre fare was provided in the two doubles encounters in the championships at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday. Pang O-lam and Leung Ping-chiu proved much too steady for J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet and won 6-2, 6-2, and 1, and B. Agaroff suffered the same fate at the hands of Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan, who won 6-3, 6-3.

In the Club handicap H. J. Armstrong conceded S. M. Garrard a walk-over. In the handicap mixed doubles J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill (-18.2) beat P. Wynter-Blyth and Miss B. Fair (Scr) 6-2, 6-1. In the Club handicap doubles, Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson and Capt. Hobbs (-2.0) beat F. MacLeod and F. S. Hall (1.0) 6-0, 6-0.

Close Finishes And High Prizes In The Cash Sweeps

WE MUST THANK the Weather Clerk for providing punters with glorious sunshine on Easter Monday with the result that a bigger crowd turned up on the second day of the Easter Meeting than the first.

Racing was of a very high standard and there were several close and exciting finishes. This, of course, spoke very highly of the distribution of the avoirdupois by the handicapper, who had a hard problem in weighting together the old ponies and the griffins of this season. The best work was seen in the Easter Stakes over a mile, when the judges could not separate the champion, Burford, (Mr. Pih) and Confusion Bay (Mr. Black) for the first position in the frame.



FAR VIEW'S FIRST DEFEAT

Sapper Nicely Handled By W. H. S. Davis

THE RESULT of the Albury Handicap confined to "A" class Australian ponies was Sapper (Mr. Davis), Far View (Mr. Pih) and Sapper (Mr. S. L. Kuen), and all the placed cobs were the subscription griffins of this season.

Without prejudice, the success of Mrs. Garsett's race seemed to convey the impression that Mr. Encarnacao's style of riding with long stirrups did not balance well with Sapper. However, it was a fine race, and Mr. Davis nursed his mount to a nicety. Lying handy when entering the straight, he brought Sapper in the right moment after passing the mile beacon, and the combination never looked back again, to win on the bit.

It was Far View's first defeat, but it was no disgrace because the mare was carrying the limit load. The old ponies, all of whom had a pull of a few pounds, did not impress that they (Baffin Bay, Lancashire Chips, Lucky Lad and Triumphant Day) were at one time or other racers of some calibre.

"E" Class For Australians Soon?

The first two (Springhurst and Australian Prince) placed ponies in the Sydney Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies were of this season's bunch, and in the circumstances it will not be long to see the creation of an "E" class for the old stagers.

In order to gauge the attendance of the followers of the turf the first prize of the cash sweep in the last event on Saturday was worth \$3,227 to ticket No. 3381, which drew Fei Ying ridden by Mr. P. Wei, but on Easter Monday the lucky No. 3451 in the last race fetched \$4,530.40, and it was won by Guinness Time with the same jockey in the saddle.

Good sport was enjoyed by all the race-goers who had certainly the full value of their money's worth. Those "who have gone down the sink" must admit that there was no runaway victory by many lengths. I have segregated the margin of defeat with the following results:

Dead Heat	2 races
Short Head	2 "
A Head	1 "
A Neck	1 "
Half-a-length	2 "
A Length	3 "
1 1/2 do	4 "
2 do	4 "
3 do	2 "
4 do	1 "

It will be seen from the above that four events out of the total of 20 races were annexed by two lengths, two by three lengths and a single contest by four lengths.

Golf

Triple Tie In Bogey Par Pool

Mr. and Mrs. H. Overy (18+25), Surg. Comdr. and Mrs. C. B. Nicholson (24+36) and Lt. Col. and Mrs. Rose (24+22) all tied at one down in the Mixed Bogey Par Competition held over the New Course at Fanning during the Easter Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Overy win the competition, however, as they had the best scores over the last nine holes.

WELL-KNOWN HONGKONG SPORTSMAN DEAD

Brigadier H.C. Harrison

THERE ARE MANY sportsmen in Hongkong who will recall the name of Brigadier (then Colonel) H. C. Harrison, and who will remember the intense interest he took in all forms of sport here. To these people, and there are quite a number, the news received in the Colony yesterday of his death must have been a shock.

His athletic keenness was intimately associated with the Hongkong Football Association, of which he was Chairman.

His County "caps" included the Hongkong, Kent, Devon and Hampshire, and he only gave up active participation in the game following his accident when a Welsh player kicked him in the face. He was President of the Hongkong Archery Board in 1937, and throughout his stay here was very interested in the Army Boxing Tournaments, at which he was a regular supporter.

One of the last pictures of him was the one printed on this page. This was at the Army v. Empire match at Richmond, on January 23, which was a trial for the selection of an Army side to go over to France and play the French Sportsmen.

He is well remembered in Hongkong, and numerous friends among the sports associations of the Army and Navy Rugby sides, deep regret.



P. Y. T. WEI TOPS WINNING JOCKEYS

THERE WERE TWO disqualifications, Many Thanks (Mr. Davis) for crossing. The latter has deprived Mr. Black of the honour, heading the list of jockeys, and the most successful rider at the Easter session was Mr. Peter Wei with a ratio of 3-2-3 mounts.

A most interesting feat of Mr. Black's riding was that he was not placed either second or third, and his three winning mounts were two dead-heat on Chatterbox with Phoenix, and Confusion Bay with Burford.

Mr. G. Trevorton rode two clever races on Valorous and his own Bruno and it may interest one to know that he has up to date eight winning mounts. Two more successes will graduate him to the "black-letter" fraternity. There were placed 21 jockeys during the two days of racing and the list of successes is made as follows:

	1st	2nd	3rd
P. Y. T. Wei	3	2	3
D. Black	3	-	-
V. V. Needa	2	3	2
L. B. Chao	2	2	2
H. C. Pih	2	1	1
W. H. S. Davis	2	-	-
G. Trevorton	2	-	-
H. J. A. Hearn	1	3	-
W. G. Poy	1	2	-
P. P. Botelho	1	-	3
S. C. Liang	1	-	1
B. L. Tso	1	-	-
Ho Hong-ping	1	-	-
H. M. Botelho	1	-	1
Ip Kuei-ying	1	-	1
Ho Pak-ming	1	-	-
Yuen King-kwai	1	-	-
B. Proulx	1	-	2
S. L. Yuen	1	-	1
R. K. C. Chui	1	-	1
A. D. Coppin	1	-	-
	23	18	20

SINGAPORE SOCCER TEAM PLANS TOUR

MANILA, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation to-day received a challenge from a Singapore Chinese football team which is planning to visit Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila in the summer.

Dunbar Stable Sold To Mr. T. K. Li?

It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. L. Dunbar has sold all his Australian and China ponies to Mr. T. K. Li (owner of O-Lan, Omaha and Conagh), and the price paid was close on to \$25,000. The stable consists of Alexandria Bay, Baffin Bay, Confusion Bay, Dupont Bay, Galveston Bay, Hillsboro Bay, Mount Hope Bay and Venus Bay, and the racers will appear at the next meeting in Mr. Li's red and white stripes, red cap, to be ridden by Mr. V. V. Needa.

The sale of these first class animals will no doubt be a great loss to Mr. D. Black, for it will seriously affect his prospect of becoming the champion jockey of this season.

On account of business where his presence is necessitated in Shanghai and New York, Mr. Dunbar has thought it best to quit, but Mrs. Dunbar, I understand, will continue to race her lot of ponies.

Badminton

Wong And Miss Cheung Enter The Mixed Doubles Final

(By "Tinker")

P. H. WONG AND MISS W. CHEUNG entered the final of the Colony Mixed Doubles badminton championship last night when they beat H. and Miss D. Eardley by 15-5, 15-12 at the Club de Recreo.

There was no doubting the merits of the winners, for though the opposition, especially H. Eardley, were somewhat off form, they were nevertheless a strong combination. Miss Cheung's play was extremely good, and she completely over-shadowed her opposite when at the net.

Individually and as a combination, the winners were better than their opponents. Patrick Wong, at certain stages of the match, was inclined to be erratic with his cross-court smashes, and quite a number were over the side-lines, but he later improved and repeatedly scored winners with shots from the baseline that dropped just over the net.

Eardley never gave his sister the support that was needed in such a match. His backhand shots were weak and his overhead was unreliable. On one occasion he completely missed the shuttle in making a vicious smash. Miss Eardley, too, was inclined to be nervous, but she gave a good account of herself as the opposition would allow.

EASY FIRST GAME
WONG and Miss Cheung led throughout the first game. The second game was a different story. By concentration on Miss Cheung, the Eardleys went into an 8-5 lead, but a series of misunderstandings at this stage saw them drop back until the score was levelled at 8-8.

The Chinese pair took the lead from 9-8 to 11-8 before the Eardleys pulled themselves together, and with a great effort drew up to 11-11. Wong and partner secured service and

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Tuesday, April 2, at 8 p.m. The Rev. S. Hinchcliffe will give a lecture on the origin and growth of Association Football.



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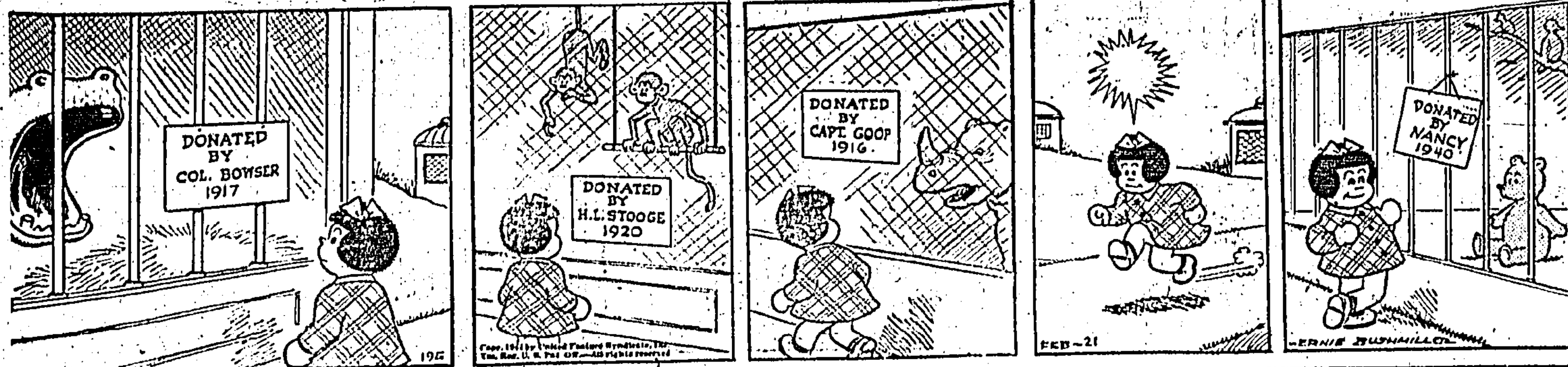
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



One of the last pictures taken of Brigadier H. C. Harrison. He is seen here (centre) arriving at the Richmond ground to watch the Army-Empire rugby match on January 25.

William J. Gallagher Passes Away

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The death is announced of Mr. William John Gallagher who was formerly the Chairman of the Rubber Growers' Association.

Spanish-Japanese Trade Agreement

MADRID, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—A trade agreement between Spain and Japan has been signed here. Spain yesterday celebrated her first anniversary of the occupation of Madrid by General Franco.

TENNIS BOYCOTT DEPRECATED

Mr. Justice Lindsell Comments On Thailand Visit To Hongkong

PRESIDING at the annual meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association yesterday, Mr. Justice Lindsell deplored the attitude of the Chinese in what, he said, amounted to a virtual boycott of the Thailand tennis team, during their visit last year.

Mr. R. Hancock, who filled the office 10 years ago, was elected President, as Mr. Lindsell is going on leave.

Mr. Lindsell was supported by Mr. M. W. Lo, Vice-President, Mr. T. A. Pearce (Hon. Secretary), Mr. E. Abraham (Hon. Treasurer) and members of the Executive Committee and representatives of Clubs.

Mr. Lindsell said the Association had a successful, if somewhat uneventful, year.

The visit of the Thailand goodwill team was unfortunately marred by what amounted to a virtual boycott

of the visitors by most of the Chinese community. "I cannot but deplore the attitude that was adopted on what were, in my opinion, quite insufficient grounds, and desire to thank the Rungtani, and other players who made the staging of the Interport contest possible," he said. "Our expenditure exceeded our income by \$2.50, due to our loss of just over \$200 in connection with the Thailand Interport."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
MR. LINDSELL said although it was generally supposed he was retiring after his leave, he was returning for another spell. He felt, however, there should be a change in the Presidency, and suggested that Mr. R. Hancock, from whom he took over almost 10 years ago when there was slight friction between the Association and the Hongkong Cricket Club, be elected. The proposal was carried. Mr. M. W. Lo, Vice-President, Mr. T. A. Pearce and Mr. E. Abraham were also re-elected. Mr. C. J. Tachell was elected League Secretary. The retiring Executive Committee, with the exception of Capt. A. B. Whorwood, who is absent, were re-elected. Capt. C. H. R. Hyde, who has been nominated by the Hongkong Area Sports Board, was elected to fill Capt. Whorwood's vacancy. The committee comprises Messrs. E. de Souza, A. de Arellano, T. F. Lo and Capt. C. H. R. Hyde.

The retiring Interport Selection Committee, with the addition of Capt. Hyde, were re-elected and comprise Messrs. M. W. Lo, A. E. P. Guest, H. A. Barros, Ho Ka-lau and Capt. Hyde.

SAME LEAGUE SCHEDULE
IT WAS DECIDED that the League programme as decided last season, that is, Monday, A Division; Tuesday, B Division; Wednesday, C Division; Thursday, D Division and Friday, Mixed Doubles Division, be adhered to during the season. The season will open on May 15. Entries close on April 15.

Mr. J. J. Ferguson (L.R.C.) proposed a residential qualification rule of three months before a player was eligible to participate in the League. His proposal primarily concerned tennis players passing through the Colony who had been known to participate in one or two important League matches and then leave.

Mr. Monaghan proposed an amendment that bona fide Club members, who would be permanent residents, be allowed to participate. Mr. Ferguson acquiesced and the proposal was carried. The framing of the qualification rule, the Chairman proposed, should be left in the hands of Mr. M. W. Lo.

It was also proposed that postponed blocks of League matches be re-arranged at the end of the original schedule by either the Secretary or League Secretary, and Clubs be informed accordingly.

Appreciation Of The Allies

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Commenting on sea warfare, the Danish newspaper, "National Tidende," says that neither Britain nor France will demand themselves by torpedoing neutral ships without warning or even German ships without doing everything possible for the rescue of the crews.

THE HONG-KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Society asks for \$35,000

In 1940 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong, against which the income to date is \$12,000 only. In order to continue its work, the Society appeals for the balance of \$23,000 before the close of the financial year on 31st October. A copy of the Annual Report for 1939 may be obtained from:

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Rifle Shooting

SECOND DAY OF BISLEY MEETING

THE SECOND DAY of the Bisley and Services rifle meeting was favoured by brilliant sunshine, though many of the competitors in the rifle events thought the cross-wind tricky, particularly on B range. Some of the more experienced shots however found conditions very much to their liking, for in the deliberate competition, fired with the ordinary service rifle, Cpl. Langford, Middlesex, scored a possible, and Sgt. Sargent, Police, was only one behind.

Another successful competitor was Sgt. Baker, Middlesex, who, not content with winning first place in the sweepstakes at 300 yards, took the second prize in his stride.

A large crowd gathered for the final stages of the falling plate competition. The semi-final produced a very close fight between the Seaforth Highlanders and Rajputana Rifles. Both of whom knocked down four plates in the time allowed. The Seaforths however fired three rounds more than their opponents and so were counted out. The Royal Marines of H.M.S. Tamar beat Rajputana Rifles in the final, chiefly because they were more steady.

QUALIFIERS FOR FINAL
THE SEAFORTH Highlanders showed up very well in the service rifle competition, for out of their four entries, no fewer than three have qualified to shoot off in the final stage for the S. R. Championship on Monday. As only 23 competitors will fire in this stage, the performance of the Seaforths is considered exceptionally good. Heading the list of the final 23 is R.S.M. Maslen, Engineers, who stands a very good chance of repeating his success of last year by again winning the Championship.

The platoon match which was fired in the afternoon produced very keen competition and excellent scores were recorded. Marines from H.M.S. Tamar with 307 added another win to their successes of the day, and were closely followed by two teams of the Royal Scots with 299 and 204. To-day gets the start of the Bisley meeting proper. Practice commences at 8.30 a.m. with the Blackdown, Camberley and Bognor competitions in that order. The afternoon will be devoted to the Company match and the individual championship will take place on the revolver range.

THE RESULTS
The following are the results:
Deliberate, Class X-1, Cpl. Langford (Mx.) 2; Sgt. Sargent (H.K.) 24; Cpl. Neave (H.S.) 23; 4, L/Sgt. Nunn (H.K.) 22; 5, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 21; 6, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 20; 7, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 19; 8, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 18; 9, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 17; 10, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 16; 11, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 15; 12, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 14; 13, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 13; 14, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 12; 15, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 11; 16, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 10; 17, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 9; 18, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 8; 19, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 7; 20, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 6; 21, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 5; 22, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 4; 23, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 3; 24, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 2; 25, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 1.
Sweepstakes, Class X-1, Cpl. Langford (Mx.) 2; Sgt. Sargent (H.K.) 24; Cpl. Neave (H.S.) 23; 4, L/Sgt. Nunn (H.K.) 22; 5, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 21; 6, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 20; 7, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 19; 8, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 18; 9, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 17; 10, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 16; 11, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 15; 12, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 14; 13, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 13; 14, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 12; 15, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 11; 16, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 10; 17, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 9; 18, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 8; 19, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 7; 20, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 6; 21, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 5; 22, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 4; 23, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 3; 24, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 2; 25, Cpl. Ghulam (Mog.) 1.
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No statistics have been published concerning those who have been injured, either seriously or slightly, on the roads or elsewhere, during the black-out.

Now estimates based on a Gallup survey reveal the astounding fact that:

5,000,000 adults in Britain have suffered some sort of injury in the black-out; an average of 33,000 every night since the black-out curtain descended on the British Isles. On the night of September 1, 1939.

All Injuries Included

Asking a representative sample of the public: "Have you suffered any physical injury because of the black-out?" the institute found that

18 per cent. said "YES."

As the sample is based on an adult population of approximately 29,000,000, a simple calculation gives the total of injured above.

The question was deliberately framed to include all injuries, trivial as well as severe, and comments made to the interviewers show that most of those who answered "Yes"

had suffered only bumps, bruises, black eyes, injured shins or shakings. The figures include those injured at home or at work as well as on the roads. Many of the people interviewed over furniture or sandbags and kerbs in the streets. And they do not, of course, include children.

Black-Out Question

Asking a subsidiary question, the institute found that 71 per cent. thought that the black-out was being properly observed in their neighbourhood.

This percentage held fairly good over the whole country, no particular district being singled out by its inhabitants for slackness. A frequent comment from many industrial areas, however, was that while private houses obeyed the rules works and factories were bad offenders.

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Italy To Salvage U-Boats

POLA (UP).—The Italian government has started work on raising 11 U-boats from the bed of the Adriatic. The subs were scuttled by German crews after the armistice. They are being raised for scrap iron.

REFUGEES IN CAMPS

Slight Increase in Number

A slight increase in the number of refugees and destitutes in the Government camps was recorded during the week ending March 23. A new site at Ngau Tau Kok was established for squatters on March 12 and up to March 23 there were ten inmates in the camp.

In the urban areas there were 1,290 civilians at King's Park against 1,302 the previous week; 1,043 at Ma Tau Chung against 1,300; 1,330 at North Point against 1,410 and 472 at Morrison Hill against 450.

There were 694 soldiers in the camp at Argyle Street as against 699 the previous week. Eighteen were in hospital against 14 the week before.

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Nazis May Start Submarine Warfare In Far East

80 U-BOATS SENT TO VLADIVOSTOK, REPORT

Reich Seeks Bases On Hainan Is.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, MARCH 28 (UP).—ACCORDING TO THE PARIS "SOIR", EIGHTY U-BOATS HAVE BEEN SHIPPED PIECEMEAL ACROSS SIBERIA AFTER BEING KNOCKED DOWN FOR RE-ASSEMBLING AT VLADIVOSTOK.

DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS IN PARIS, HOWEVER, ARE SCEPTICAL OF THE REPORT, ALTHOUGH NO DENIAL HAS BEEN YET ISSUED FROM ANY SOURCE.

The newspaper said that Russia has already given Germany submarine bases privileges at Possit Bay, southwest of Vladivostok, and that the Reich is attempting to negotiate for similar bases on Hainan Island, through an agreement with Tokyo.

However, the French authorities doubt whether Japan would rise to an Allied challenge to the Japanese occupation of Hainan, which neither Britain nor France have ever recognised.

EXTENSION OF WAR TO FAR EAST POSSIBLE?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (UP).—The possibility of Germany extending the war to the Far East through U-boat warfare from a Soviet port in the Sea of Japan is now being openly discussed in Washington following the return to-day from his European tour of Mr. Sumner Welles.

Significance is seen in the recall of the Soviet Ambassador, M. Souritz from France, and the recent seizures of copper shipments to Vladivostok.

Officials in Washington believe that the partial blockade in the Pacific indicates that the Allies are confident that the Atlantic situation is sufficiently under control.

Mr. Welles arrived here to-day, and without making a single comment, proceeded direct to the State Department and later conferred with President Roosevelt for 45 minutes.

Official quarters expect part of Mr. Welles' report to deal with the possibility of the extension of the European war to the Far East as a result of the new tension between the Allies and Russia.

Denies Peace Plan
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Italian liner Conte di Savoia docked at 9 a.m., to-day and Mr. Sumner Welles, carrying a small brown case crammed with confidential reports, departed for the White House at Washington at 10.30 a.m., aboard the "Judith" Flyer of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

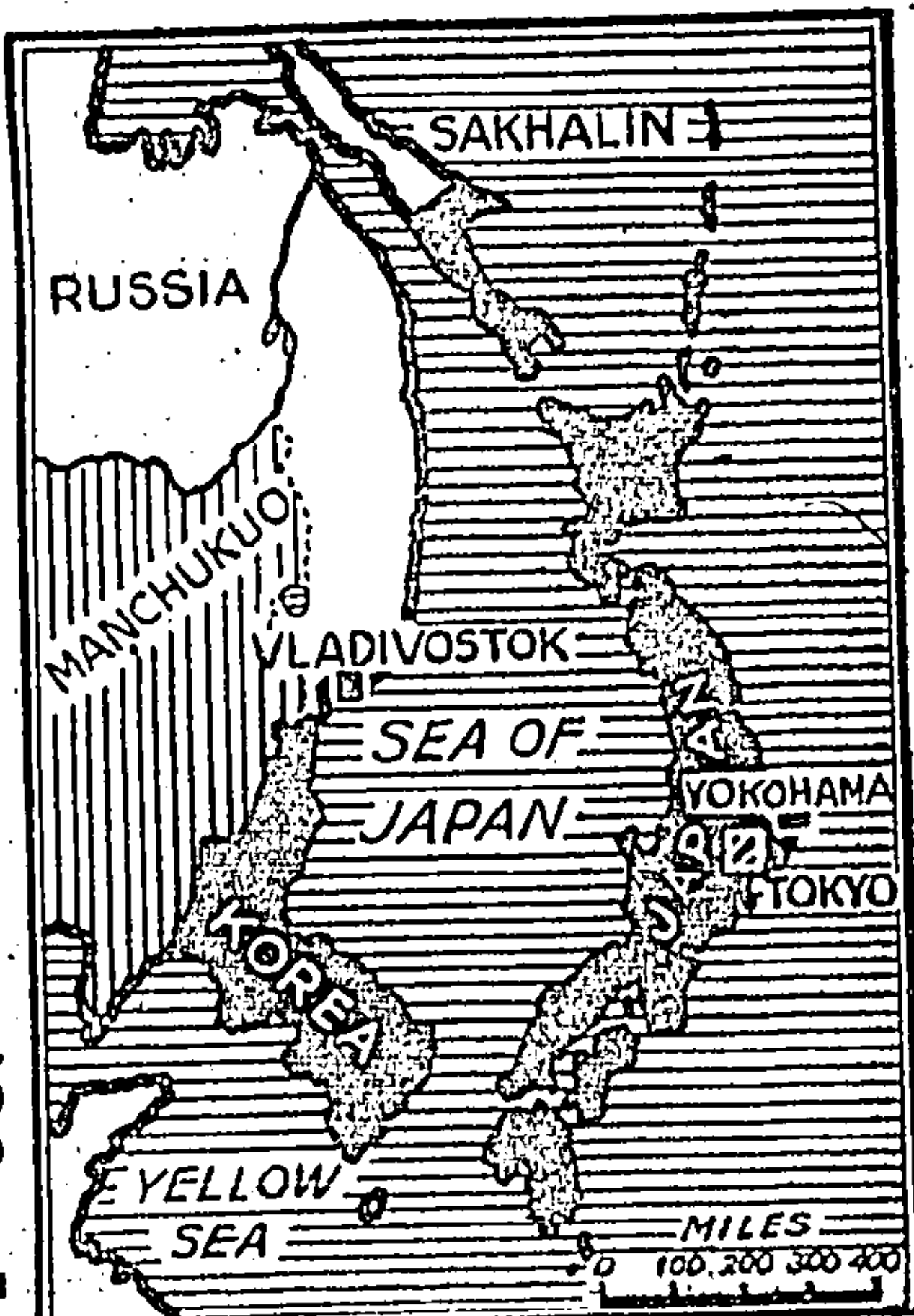
Asked regarding the possibilities of peace, Mr. Welles referred to his Rome statement in which he denied that he had received any peace plan or had any knowledge of such.

I was the only member of any press association to accompany Mr. Welles every step of the way and certain trends that I noted will undoubtedly affect his report, writes a U.P. special correspondent.

Firstly, Signor Mussolini during the last three weeks gave the impression that he believes Germany now has a chance to win the war. The Italian press is again boastfully using the word "axis."

Secondly, the Allies are confident that they are winning air supremacy over Germany and have resources for

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Chamberlain And Halifax Bitterly Assailed

WELLS WARNS OF BREAKDOWN OF CIVILISATION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LEEDS, Mar. 28 (UP).—Mr. H. G. Wells, speaking before the British Student Congress to-day, criticised the Government's war publication "The British Case," which, he said, would probably damn Britain in the eyes of the United States and other neutrals, and even France.

Nazi Navy's Challenge

Said To Be On Way To Fight British Fleet

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—An unconfirmed report that German warships "have steamed or are steaming" out of Wilhelmshaven to engage the British forces on contraband control duty was made by the Rome radio announcer to-night.

The announcer added that German merchantmen in northern waters have been instructed to seek shelter in the nearest ports. As a result of this the Scandinavian harbours, according to the announcer, are literally teeming with German vessels.

Nazi Ships Aground
OSLO, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The German ship Ostpreussen, which ran aground north of Jutland some days ago while evading British warships, has been joined by another German vessel, the trawler Wilhelm Marie which ran aground on Tuesday night.

Neutrals Warned
COPENHAGEN, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—The Danish newspaper, "Politiken," reports receiving a message from Berlin stating that Germany will soon demand that neutrals consider all armed Allied ships as warships and allow them to stay only 24 hours in port.

Direct Challenge
BERLIN, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Any action against German ships by Allies in neutral waters will be considered a direct Allied declaration of war on neutrals.

International law will be upset, mean the Nazis, if the Allies claim the right to police neutral waters, and havoc will be created among the principles of war.

Germany is ready to meet the challenge, says Berlin.

FIRE DESTROYS 80 HOUSES
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Mar. 28 (Domel).—A disastrous fire destroyed about 80 houses in the Shiba Ward of Tokyo early this morning.

The blaze broke out about 1.15 a.m., and was not put under control until two hours later.

Fire-fighters had to contend with a strong gale which considerably hampered their work and caused the flames to spread to an alarming degree.

COUNT TELFKI GOES HOME
ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—Count Telfki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, has left for Budapest.

THE WATCH ON FRANCE'S SHORES



ONE OF THE THOUSANDS of patrol units who keep careful guard of France's coastline against possible invasion from the sea. France has a systematic chain of fortifications along its coastline as well as along its western front.—French Official Photograph.

Real War To Start In Spring

Expected Effect Of Allies' Decision

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Allied Supreme War Council met in London to-day and "decided on future action."

The Council agreed neither to conclude a separate armistice or peace or to discuss peace terms before reaching a complete agreement on the conditions necessary to ensure their own security.

They also agreed to maintain, after the conclusion of peace, "a community of action in all spheres for as long as it may be necessary to safeguard their security, and effect reconstruction, with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which would ensure the liberty of peoples and their respect for the law, and maintenance of peace in Europe."

16 Attend Meeting
France was represented by M. Reynaud, M. Campanini and M. Laurent accompanied by the French Ambassador to London, General Gamelin, Admiral Darlan and Air Marshal Vuillemin.

Britain was represented by Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Oliver Stanley and Sir Kingsley Wood accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan, General Ironside, Air Chief of Staff Sir Henry Newall and Admiral Sir Dudley Pound.

Informed quarters say the Council's deliberations were political more than military and centred on a new bid for Italy's friendship. Although these quarters doubt the press reports that Hitler's plan to reconcile Italy and Russia is a total failure, they point to M. Reynaud receiving the Italian Ambassador and his summoning of the

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Chiang's Son Studies U.S. Air Tactics

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's second son, Lieut. Chiang Wai-kuo, has enrolled for three months course in aerial combat tactics at the training station, Maxwell Field, Alabama according to an announcement by the United States War Department.

Lieut. Chiang graduated from a German military academy, and has been in the United States during the past five months.

Two Planes Lost

BERLIN, Mar. 28 (Reuters).—D. N. B. (the German official news agency) admits that two Nazi planes have failed to return from reconnaissance flights over the North Sea. France, the Orkney and Shetland Islands yesterday.

The Agency claims that several hits were obtained in bombing attack on a British convoy off the Shetlands last night, and that a successful attack was made on a French destroyer in the Channel.

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ALLIES PLEDGE TO WAGE TOTALITARIAN WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BELFAST, Mar. 28 (UP).—That Britain is pledged to wage a total war was emphasised by Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, when speaking at Belfast to-day.

He declared: "Britain is pledged to wage a total war with all that it means or may involve."

He added: "Germany is beleaguered and surrounded. Her imports are cut off and her exports, save to neighbouring countries, have been reduced to very slender proportions. The dice is loaded in favour of an Allied victory."

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and cheaply from British shores to foreign shores.

The bent brains in Britain's trade and manufacturing have tackled this problem and, while they are doubtless conscious of the export advantages furnished by the recession of the pound in New York, it is believed they would much prefer to see the New York rate pegged at a more dignified level, furnishing plans a five per cent advantage instead of the present 13 per cent.

The whole question of the present exchange control as a factor in export trade is among the suggestions which will be discussed by a special meeting of British manufacturers in London on April 4.

Brand-New System

This system of quasi-control is something brand new. It is particularly logical into Dr. Schacht the Nazi financial wizard would loathe it, but it is 100 per cent British and it has worked so far successfully.

Theoretically sterling's depreciation in New York should promote British exports except those commodities—tin, jute and whiskey—for which it was recently announced free sterling will not be accepted.

Brazilian Precaution

RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 28 (UP).—It has been officially announced that as a temporary measure the Bank of Brazil will stop dealing in sterling as from tomorrow.

American Reaction

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (UP).—Banking circles here interpret the Bank of Brazil's decision to cease dealing in sterling as a direct outcome of the persuasive efforts of the British Government, which is reputed to be seeking influence in Brazil to set up only blocked sterling with which to pay for purchases of British products.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull is seriously concerned, fearing that similar moves will be made in other Latin American countries.

It is understood that Britain made a similar attempt in the Argentine, but they replied that they were willing to accumulate not more than £1,000,000, after which payments must be made in gold. Britain thereupon exerted pressure on Brazil under promises of increased buying of cotton etc. hoping to persuade the Argentine to change its mind.

Sterling Rallies

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Sterling rallied in a spectacular manner on the New York Foreign Exchange market today.

To-day's rise in the pound was attributed to two factors. The first was to reports from Washington indicating that the State Department was watching the drop and was preparing to give full effect to the safeguarding provisions of the Reciprocal Trade Agreement with Britain whenever there was evidence that depreciation of the sterling would prejudice industry and commerce in the United States.

Secondly, there were rumours that Britain might lift the restrictions respecting the use of free sterling for rubber purchases for which free sterling may not now be used.

Sterling bloc currencies also moved up sympathetically.

MAKING HIS POSITION FELT

BERLIN, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—All administrative offices in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia must in future have a portrait of Hitler hanging alongside that of the President of the States.

A despatch from Prague states that the Government have decreed this because it is "desirable of showing symbolically the position of the Protectorate in relation to that of the great German Reich."

The portrait of the president must hang on the left of Hitler's picture.

Canadian Red Cross Presents Ambulance

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Canadian Red Cross has presented an ambulance for the use of Polish troops in France.

The presentation was made to the Polish Ambassador in London by Mr. R. V. Bennett, the former Conservative Premier of Canada, on behalf of the Canadian Red Cross.

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The Annual Dinner and Dance will be held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Saturday, 30th MARCH, 1940, at 7.30 p.m.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1940, to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. TAYLOR,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY—LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

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INFANTRY, AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, March 28, (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News Agency) to-day reports from the Western Front: "There has been slight enemy infantry and artillery activity reported from the neighbourhood of Perl. The enemy artillery fire has been somewhat livelier, but consists mainly of intermittent fire from the Zweibrücken sector."

"Northeast of Saargemünd a French pillbox was blown up by a German patrol. In the neighbourhood southwest of Pirmasens an enemy half platoon which attempted to attack a German post was repulsed. There were no losses on the German side but the enemy lost several."

Air Activity Limited

"Air force activity on the Western Front has been of little importance and limited sharp opposition was encountered from French pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns. Successful reconnaissance flights were also carried out over the North Sea. "British bombers attempted to attack German outpost ships in the Heligoland Bight. They dropped a number of bombs which all missed their targets and fell into the water. They were forced to fight by German pursuit planes and one British Bristol-Blenheim was brought down after which all the others took flight. All the German planes, as on the previous day, returned without losses."

Raid Over Germany

"During the evening and night of March 27-28 a number of enemy planes flew over northern and western Germany. In the Eiffel district one British plane was brought down in flames by German A.A. guns. The crew partly succeeded in escaping by parachute and have been made prisoners."

"Hostile planes in several instances again violated the neutrality of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, both on their outward and homeward flights."

Nazi Artillery in Action

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Considerably more German artillery activity than is customary occurred yesterday in the regions of the East of the Saar and the Vosges.

Long-range fire was concentrated on the woods and points in the French lines.

The French, however, retaliated to a similar extent and the exchange reached considerable proportions for some time.

Both sides sent out patrols and there were some encounters in Normandy's land.

Diplomatic Parley In London

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative quarters that Lord Halifax has invited the British Ambassador at Ankara and the Ministers at Athens, Belgrade, Bucharest, Budapest and Sofia to return to Britain to confer with him at the Foreign Office.

They will arrive in England early in April.

Sir Percy Loraine, the British Ambassador at Rome, is also expected to be in London on short leave of absence at that time.

Frontier Partly Re-Opened

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Government has partly reopened the frontier with Holland which they sealed off ten days ago.

Until to-day a wire barrier prevented all traffic between the two countries.

Now for 10½ hours every day people who possess the necessary visas are allowed to pass unhindered through the gaps in the barriers.

BERLIN RAILWAY DISASTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 28 (UP).—One railroad worker was killed and three others and 25 passengers were injured near Loerach when a locomotive crashed into a trainload of West Wall workers who were going home on leave.

Concentrating On War Effort

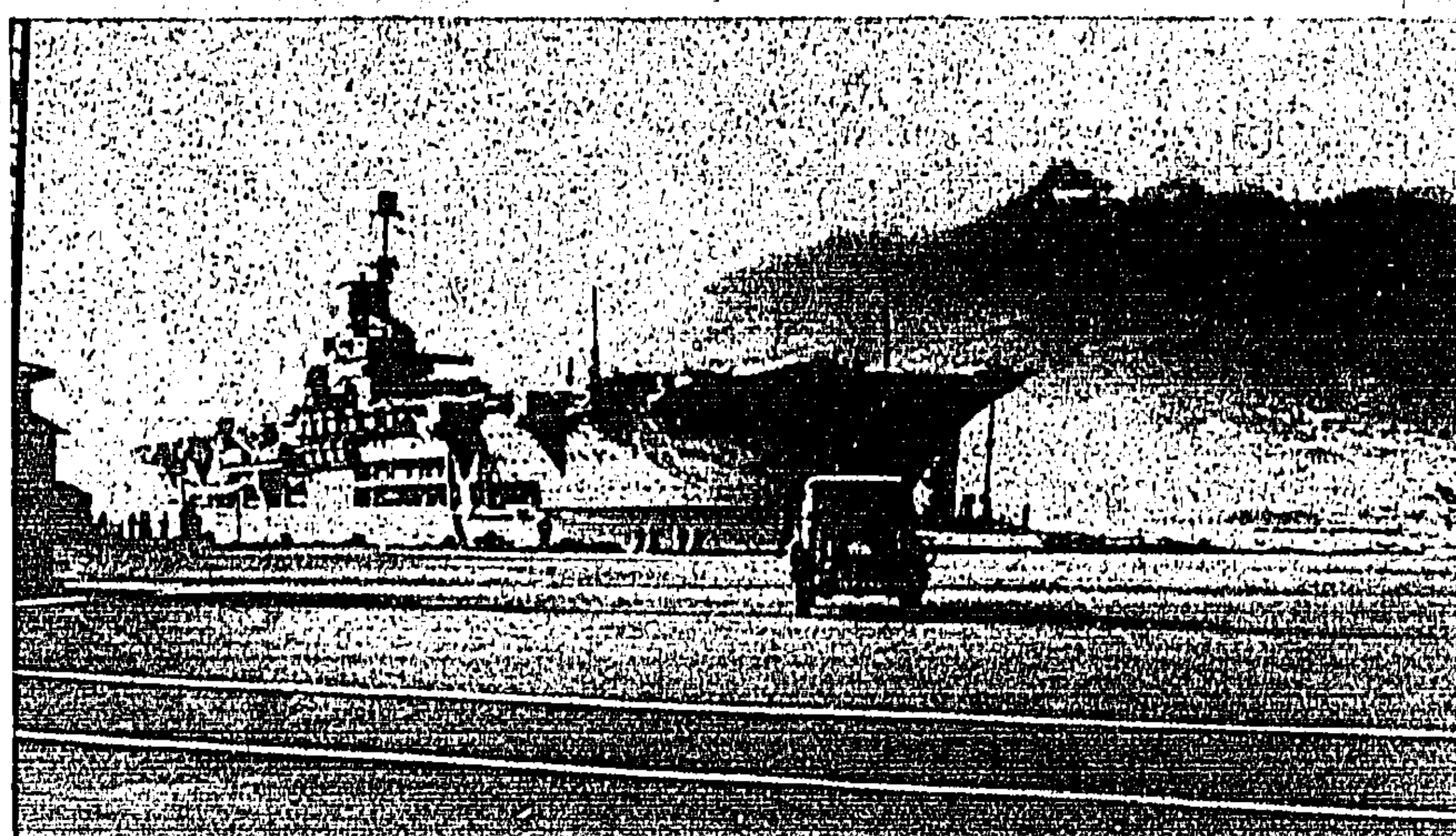
LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The way in which the British motor industry is concentrating on work for the Army and Air Force and how Britain is going all out for petrol rationing is shown by the figures for last month's registrations.

Less than 10,000 cars were registered for the first time, as compared with 34,000 for February, 1939.

Post-War Aid For Shipping

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—It has been learned that the British Government has promised to assist British liners to recover their lost trade routes after the cessation of hostilities.



GERMAN claims that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had been sunk were completely discounted this week by the official announcement that she had returned to a Home port. Here too in pictorial evidence of the continued existence of the vessel. Picture shows the Ark Royal during her recent call at Cape Town, with the cloud-capped Table Mountain providing a picturesque background for the big warship.

Nazi Planes Active Over North Sea And Channel

BRITISH CONVOY ATTACKED OFF SHETLAND ISLANDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 28 (UP).—According to the official German news agency, Nazi planes to-night successfully attacked a British convoy off the Shetland Islands.

A French torpedo-boat, it is claimed, was also attacked in the English Channel.

The Germans claim that all of the attacking planes returned to their base, but that two reconnaissance machines are missing.

The British convoy, says the report, was scattered, and several ships were hit by bombs.

EXTENSION OF WAR TO FAR EAST POSSIBLE?

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at least 8 or 10 years of war if necessary.

Thirdly, the Allies' confidence in the efficacy of the blockade is not as strong as it was two months ago, but Russia is still an unknown determinant.

Fourthly, inside Germany there is nothing to indicate a crack-up of morale.

Fifthly, there is little chance that Mr. Welles or anyone else can find an acceptable formula for peace in the immediate future.

Not To Pay Second Visit

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles arrived to-day after a trip to Europe as President Roosevelt's special envoy, and immediately enquired for Washington.

Mr. Welles declared that he did not plan another visit to Europe, but steadfastly declined to discuss or comment on any European personalities with whom he had conferred.

Some 25 reporters greeted Mr. Welles on the liner and he merely jokingly said to them: "I can give you some real news—I am mighty glad to see you and glad to be home."

But "No comment" was his only answer to virtually every question.

Little Optimism For Peace

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Shortly after Mr. Sumner Welles' arrival in Washington, President Roosevelt received his report on his fact-finding tour.

High officials here have expressed the opinion that there is little optimism regarding the possibilities of peace following Mr. Welles' tour.

Nevertheless, Mr. Welles is apparently satisfied with the results of his journey. He stated that he had had every opportunity given him to get the information for which he was sent.

Beyond this, he refused to comment.

Mr. Welles conferred briefly with Mr. Cordell Hull. Then he went to the White House to deliver the report.

Envoy To Return

LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—Sir William Seeds, British Ambassador to Russia, is expected shortly to return to Moscow.

Authoritative sources point out that the British Government always intended that he should return when his two month's leave was finished.

His return is taken as signifying that Britain, at present, has no intention of breaking relations with the Soviet.

Refuse To Meet Germans

PARIS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A flat refusal to meet German representatives on neutral territory in war-time was given by French industrialists in response to the invitation to participate in the conference of the International Chamber of Commerce.

The French National Committee of the International Chamber issued a denial to the Press of reports alleging the presence of authorised French delegates, and pointed out that its refusal to send delegates to The Hague was notified some time ago in agreement with the French Government.

REAL WAR TO START IN SPRING

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French Ambassador to Paris from Rome right after he had assumed the premiership of France.

They believe Mr. Reynaud wants to pick up the threads of the broken negotiations last October which went a long way towards meeting the Italian demands regarding Djibouti, the Suez Canal, Addis Ababa and Tunisia but failed to satisfy Italy's ambitions.

Two Meetings

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the sixth meeting of the Supreme War Council was held in London to-day.

The Council assembled in the morning and there was a further meeting in the afternoon.

France was represented by M. Paul Reynaud (Prime Minister), M. Cesar Campinchi (Minister for the Navy) and M. Laurent Eynac (Minister for Air), who were accompanied by M. Corbin, M. Alexis Leger, General Garmain, Admiral Darlan, General Vuillemin and General Koeltz.

Great Britain was represented by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Winston Churchill (First Lord of the Admiralty) and Sir Kingsley Wood (Air Minister), who were accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Admiral Sir Dudley Pound and General Sir Edmund Ironside.

The Prime Minister expressed gratification at being able to greet Mr. Reynaud for the first time as President du Conseil.

Joint Declaration

The Council passed in review developments in the strategic situation since their last meeting and decided on future line of action.

In the light of the results achieved by the agreement of last December signed by Sir John Simon and Mr. Reynaud, and desiring to extend the scope of this agreement to all spheres affecting the interests and security of the two nations, the two governments have agreed to the following solid declaration.

"The Government of the French Republic and His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom mutually undertake that during the present war they will neither negotiate nor conclude an armistice or treaty of peace except by mutual agreement."

"They undertake not to discuss peace terms before reaching a complete agreement on the conditions an effective and lasting guarantee of their security."

"Finally they undertake to maintain unity of action in all spheres for so long as may be necessary to safeguard their security and to effect the reconstruction, with the assistance of other nations, of an international order which will ensure the liberty of peoples, respect for the law and the maintenance of peace in Europe."

Political Circles Impressed

ROME, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The communique issued after the meeting of the Supreme War Council is regarded in political circles as the most far-reaching and solemn declaration of unflinching solidarity made by the Allies since the outbreak of war.

On the face of it, it is said, the communique plainly conveys that the Allies will not take the initiative in any peace talks.

Political circles feel that such a categorical announcement would not have been made if Mr. Welles' tour had offered the faintest promise of acceptable peace proposals, and the feeling becomes stronger that spring must inevitably witness the clash of arms that the whole of Europe has been dreading.

The Anglo-French undertaking to act as one nation not only in war but in all fields of political settlement after the war is described as disposing of all controversies between Britain and France regarding war aims.

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

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such-and-such a thing is done and that's that.

The one virtue of this species of strategic chess-playing is that it knows when it is beaten, as it did at the conclusion of the Great War. Whether this particular textbook code of generalship still obtains in the German Army remains to be seen but the German Army of the Great War might well have been described as an army of panthers led by owls as Lewis Carroll might have put it.

From the first, the German fighting man has had a reputation for cruelty, and his recent conduct in Poland does not seem to have detracted in any way from his ill-fame in this respect, the statement of Herr Hitler that he is fighting chivalrously notwithstanding.

If the Pole is down and out for the moment, he may get up again before he takes the full count. He is a brave and resourceful fighter, knightly and enterprising, who through nearly all his history has been matched against superior odds. His reputation as a cavalryman was the most brilliant in Europe, but in these days, when most soldiers fight by turning a handle, almost on "piece-work" as one might say, his horsemanship has availed him little.

The Russian Enigma

The Russian, who reminds one of the man who asked:—"Is this a private fight, or may anyone join in?" is a splendid defensive fighter, and has now as his leaders a type of officer who, for excellent training and scientific accomplishment, is in the very forefront of his profession, as all good observers agree. Discipline is good, the one drawback being the rather youthful age of the officers and non-coms.

Apart from that, we know almost nothing regarding the war-psychology of the new Russian conscript. The likelihood is that, as at other periods, he would, though a dogged fighter, scarcely be able to hold his own against professionally-trained French or British troops, if called upon to do so, though he would certainly not disgrace himself.

About our own men we need say little. The personal address and hardness of the English infantryman is as remarkable as his quick and vigorous reaction to circumstances. As for the Scot, it is proverbial that he goes into battle in a rather cautious mood, and that his officers find it well-nigh impossible to make him stop fighting!

In the present struggle the British Tommy will, as before, be the spearhead on the shift of Freedom. And I, for one, am old-fashioned enough to believe that.

"Of all the world's great heroes there's none that can compare (With a low-row-row-row-row-row-row) To the British Grenadier!"

New Air Service

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Royal Dutch Air Lines will shortly start a service between Amsterdam and Lisbon and Oporto. This service will connect with the Pan-American trans-Atlantic service between Portugal and America.

No Investigation Into Plane Sales

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Following the War Department's categorical denial that the sales of war planes to the Allies interfered with the United States armament programme, the Senate Military Affairs Committee have decided by five votes to four against conducting an investigation into such sales.

Britain and France regarding war aims.

POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

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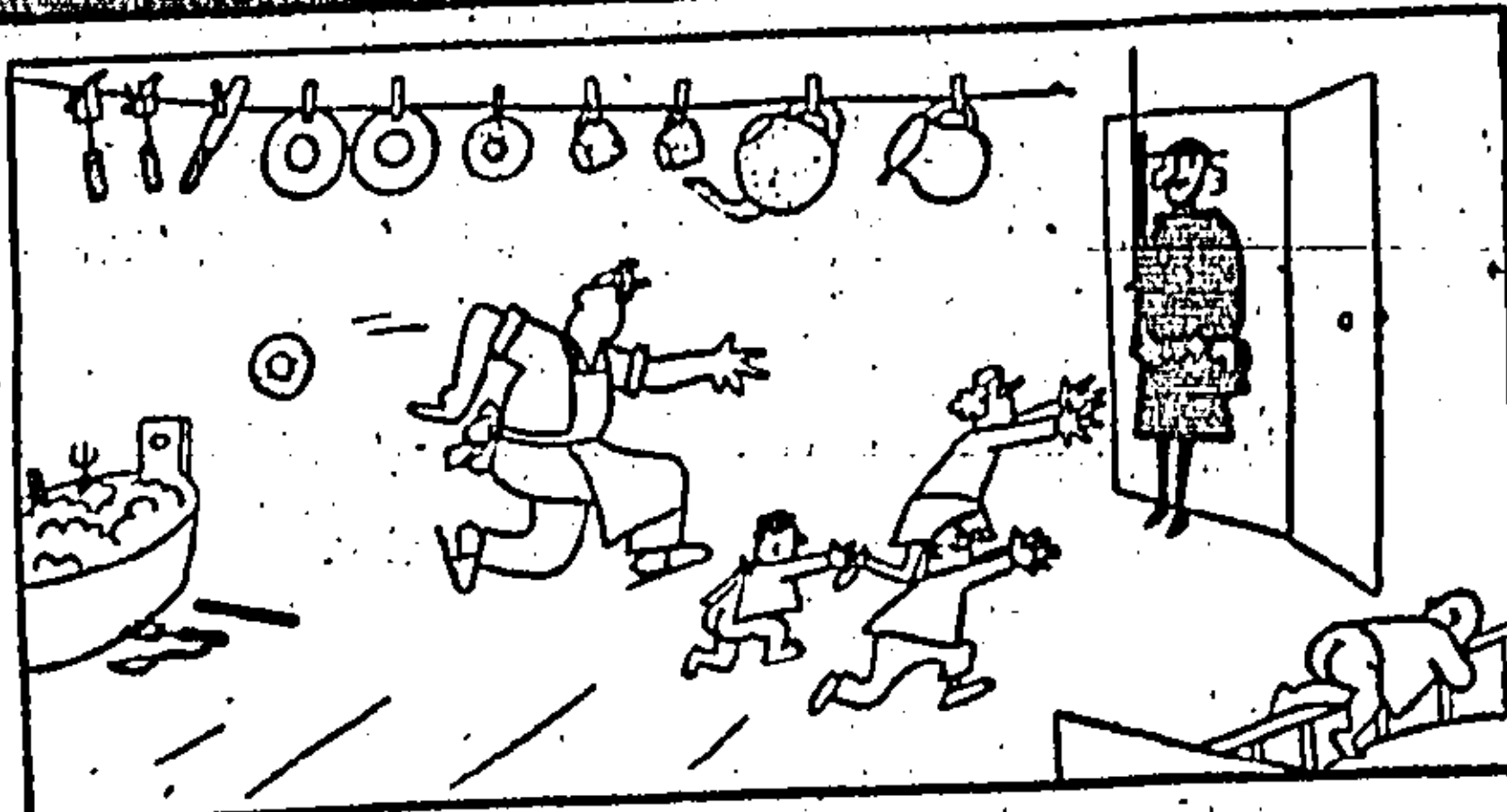
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MAGAZINE PAGE

German Fun with the A.T.S.

Here are some German cartoons. This time the cartoonists make the girls of our A.T.S. their target.



Mummy arrives home on leave (Kölnische Zeitung)



"Stand at Ease!" (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



Prophetic Picture: After 12 months in France (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)

Still at her post (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



Experts in the art of Camouflage (Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung)



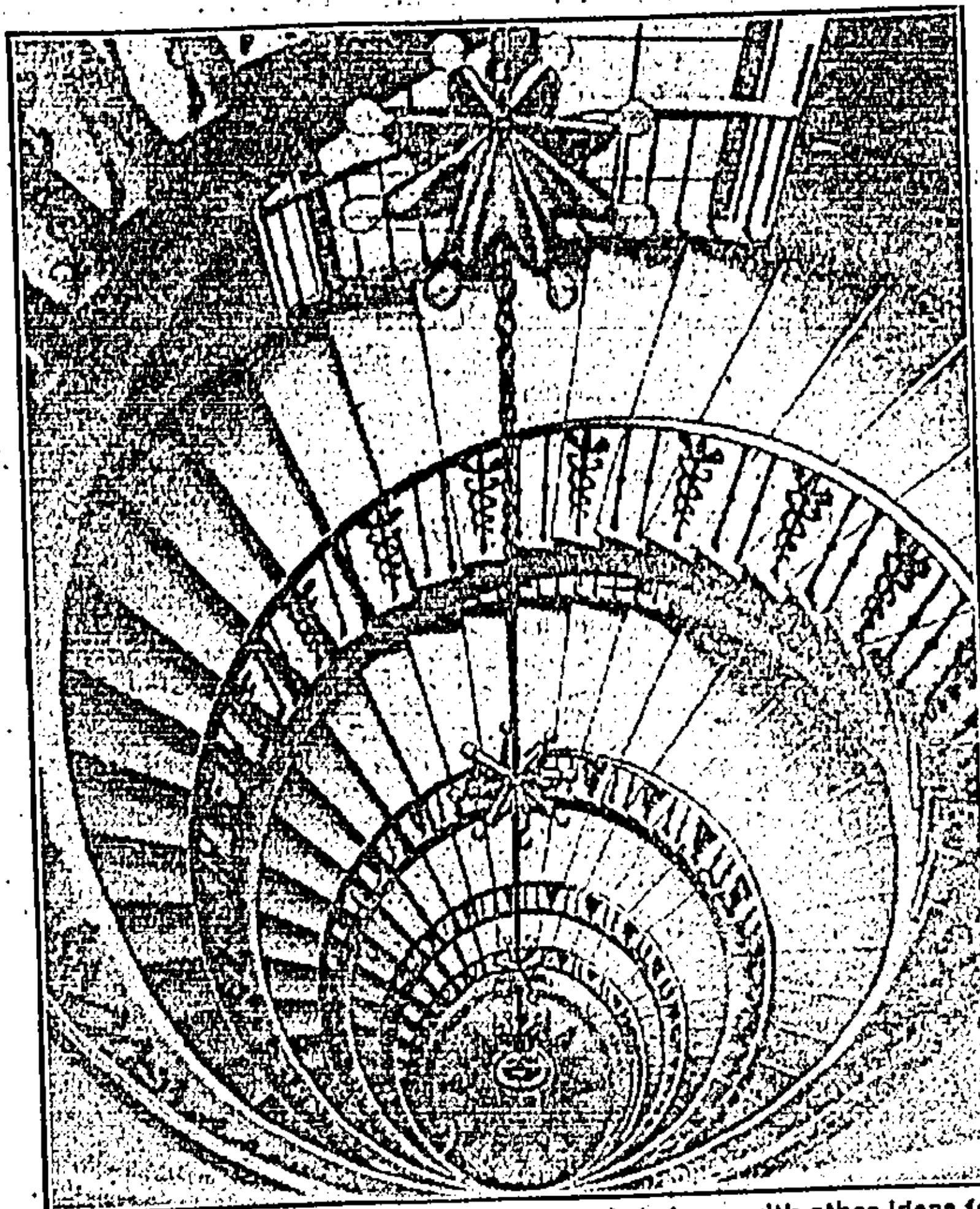
"We must find her another job. She doesn't suit this platoon" (Lustige Blätter, Berlin)



"It passes the time on sentry duty" (Lustige Blätter, Berlin)

THE CAMERA

Take Photographs From Angles



Can you identify this subject? The answer is below—with other ideas for novel and amusing pictures you can take.

WHEN you run out of ideas for the usual type of pictures—try your hand at unusual pictures.

Look out for novel angle shots, and opportunities for "puzzle pictures." This is fun—and such shots will add novelty to your snapshot album.

There are all sorts of unusual things worth trying. For example, odd lighting effects which you are taking night snapshots. Instead of having your photo bulbs at eye level, put them on the floor for a few shots, so that they shine up toward your subjects, and cast long shadows on the wall. It's a stunt that yields surprising effects.

Try shots at unusual angles. Take a picture from an upstairs window, with a subject directly below you looking straight upward. Try a steep up-angle shot of a tall building. Shoot straight down a stairway well.

The picture above is a shot of a deep circular staircase, taken with the camera pointed almost straight down. You'll agree it makes a novel effect.

For another stunt, try tricks with perspective. Take a shot of a subject sitting down, with his feet extended toward the camera. If the feet are fairly close to the lens, they will show up absurdly large in the picture.

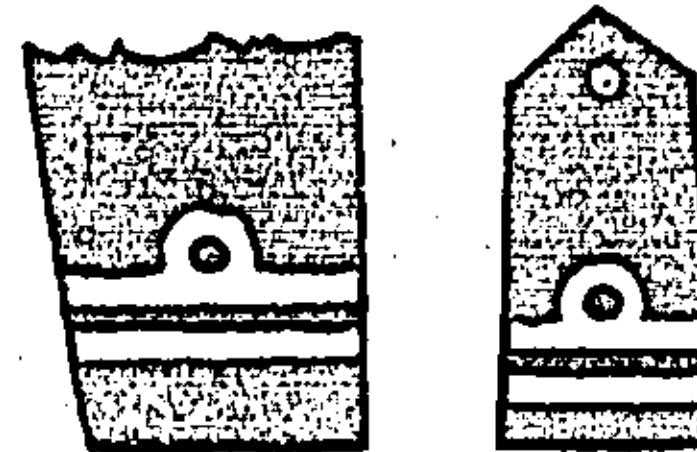
For shots such as this, use the smallest lens opening on your camera, as you need extra "depth of field." It won't matter if the nearest objects are slightly out of focus, but they shouldn't be too "fuzzy."

Try some double-exposure tricks. For example, a close-up shot of a newspaper page—and then a close-up of a person on the same film. Use a dark background for the shot of the person. You can produce some unusual "combination" effects in this manner.

Try all these stunts—and keep your eyes open for other novel picture chances. They'll give added spice to your camera hobby.

John van Guilder

Spotting the Rank



LIEUTENANT

There are more officers of this rank on the active list of the Royal Navy than any other, the total at the outbreak of war being over 1,300. But on the retired and emergency lists there were only 763.

Like Captain, the rank of Lieutenant is derived from the French, by way of the Army. When warships were produced by the simple method of arming merchant vessels and embarking fighting men in them, the officer appointed in command held the military rank of Captain.

When a second officer accompanied him as his deputy, he was given the rank of Lieutenant. Literally this implied "second in command" or "second in line" of the Captain, to whose duties he would automatically succeed if the latter were killed or incapacitated.

Since those early days the introduction of the intermediate ranks of Commander and Lieutenant-Commander has caused the relative importance of the Lieutenant to decline. But this is somewhat mitigated by the fact that he automatically becomes a Lieutenant-Commander after eight years.

word we have planned in detail, amidst other things, a new system of education, a bridge between denominations, safe guards for the roads, and a new charter for industry.

Our plans have been tested quietly for two years and are now ready to be put into action. Numerous small companies are being formed for study as well as recreation.

But we want an army of helpers—everyone who is ready to be a real companion and particularly those who love little children.

We can expect some people to sneer at our efforts, just as the Horonites and Ammonites sneered at Nehemiah.

Let us answer them in Nehemiah's own words: "The God of Heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build."

There must be no more black-outs.

IN one corner of the room Bridget, my youngest daughter, is playing happily with a doll's house.

It is her idea of home-planning, and I know how serious it is, for I have just been called in to help with the decorating.

When I pointed out the bareness of the windows I was told that in her street there was no black-out. The information has set me wondering.

What will the houses of the future look like? They may be camouflaged or even built below ground. Or they may have to withstand nothing worse than bad weather.

But it is of their owners, our children, that I am thinking. It seems unfair to leave them with such a rotten world, and I confess that whenever I see a child with a gas-mask I feel ashamed.

The World Needs God

BY E. R. Appleton

Founder of the famous B.B.C. Sunday evening "Silent Fellowship" broadcasts.

men. They expect to join nations like pieces of a jig-saw puzzle. And I confess that I am suspicious of any plan which starts with World Committees and International Federations.

Sooner or later they get plastered with protocols and tied up with their own bureaucracy. The League of Nations failed because, to quote one of its leading delegates, "there was not enough faith for so big a church."

My own plan deals first with individuals. It includes a simple charter of faith as a guide to the every-day relationships of man with his fellowmen.

For I agree with William Blake when he says that "if people are

not wise the freest government is compelled to be a tyranny." And history shows that the greatest movements are those that spring from the people.

Over-organization, as we have just seen, can itself be an evil. But the three evils that most affect us to-day are fear, loneliness and oppression. Once we can clear them away we shall see the dawn of our new world.

My plan, therefore, is based upon one idea which has within it the seeds of deliverance from these evils. This idea can be expressed in one word—companion-ship—a word which originally meant the sharing of bread.

But the companionship that I mean is like that of the Good Samaritan; it looks upon all people as the children of a loving Giver of Life.

I am not suggesting a vague idealism. Starting with this one

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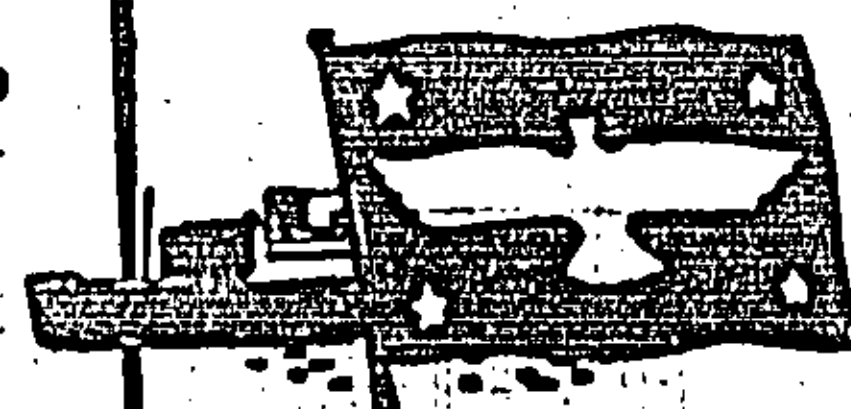
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BRITISH PLANE SHOT DOWN BY DUTCH

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A communique issued by the Government Press Service states that a British bomber which was flying from east to west was hit when above Pernis, near Rotterdam, by fire from a Netherlands fighter plane.

The communique confirms that one member of the crew was killed after jumping from the plane and that the plane was burnt out. The survivors were interned.

Fire Returned Says Report

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—According to Dutch accounts, the British bomber which was shot down by Dutch fighter planes returned the Dutch fighters' fire.

The British airmen appeared to think that they were in France and appeared to be bewildered when Dutch soldiers in strange green uniforms asked them: "Are you English?"

When asked where they came from, the pilot cautiously replied: "We have come from somewhere." After searching for and finding the dead body of a comrade, the fliers were taken to a cafe, given a drink and met the Dutch pilot, Noomen, who had shot them down.

They were soon deep in a technical discussion with no sign of ill-feeling on either side. Noomen was still wearing his pyjamas under his flying suit.

Orders Not To Fire

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—In connection with the report that the British returned the Dutch fire, "Reuter's" air correspondent learns in official quarters that British bombers have very definite instructions that should they inadvertently fly over neutral territory not to return the fire of neutral fighters if attacked.

Regarding a German High Command communique it is learned that the Air Ministry that one of our aircraft which was on a reconnaissance flight over Germany and Holland had failed to return.

The Air Ministry announced that Coastal Command aircraft, while on patrol over the North Sea to-day, encountered two enemy aircraft.

During a prolonged engagement, one enemy aircraft was reportedly hit. It was seen to be seriously damaged and it is considered improbable that it was able to reach its base.

The British aircraft returned safely. British Machine Damaged.

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A Hudson reconnaissance machine returned to its aerodrome in East Scotland with its port engine out of commission after a successful encounter with two Dornier machines.

Despite a damaged engine, the pilot made a magnificent landing. The air gunner said that they kept up a running fight for about half an hour, and when they turned back, smoke was pouring from the one on which they had concentrated.

The British machine was in a steep climb when a burst of fire caught the port engine.

Near Plane Over Shetlands.

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A plane, believed to be German, was seen over the Shetland Islands to-day.

British fighters went up and the air raid warning siren sounded for about 20 minutes.

It is believed that no bombs were dropped.

British Success.

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—British aircraft to-day shot down an enemy machine off the north-east coast of Scotland.

Four Planes Lost.

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—In the past two or three days the Royal Air Force has lost four planes.

Two failed to return from a flight over north-west Germany and Holland on Wednesday.

Another Hurricane was shot down during air battles on Tuesday. The pilot saved himself by means of his parachute.

The fourth plane was a Bristol Blenheim bomber. It crashed in Holland yesterday after being intercepted by Dutch pursuit planes.

British Envoy To Exchange Views.

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent states that the Government's decision to consult with the Ambassador at Ankara and the Balkan Ministers is neither novel nor surprising.

In the last war it was a frequent practice of the Government to call home Ministers to discuss the problems of their special zones.

It seems only reasonable, at a moment when the Balkans and the Near East are so much in the foreground, that the British representatives in these parts should be brought together to exchange their views under the negle of the Foreign Minister.

Allied Forces In Near East Desert Fighters Co-Operate

CAIRO, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The training and co-ordination of Allied forces in the Near East are progressing at an accelerated tempo.

The first combined manoeuvres between the British, Indian and Egyptian armies began in Egypt yesterday. The Trans-Jordan frontier force is combining with Emir Abdullah's Arab Legion for the first time.

The exercises, which will last a week, will extend over the whole of Trans-Jordan and the once fierce desert raiders, who now form a disciplined and loyal desert patrol, will have their first experience of co-operation with British troops staged with all the realism of war.

Staff College Set Up

An emergency Staff College for British officers has been inaugurated in Palestine and Staff courses are already in progress.

Voluntary recruiting of Palestine Jews for service in France is steadily increasing.

Large numbers of Britain's young yeomanry army are arriving in Palestine for training and have acquired themselves well, earning the praise of veteran troops.

The more settled conditions in Palestine have enabled British troops to get down in earnest to re-training for the first time in two years.

Detention Of Soviet Ships

Maisky's Interviews With Halifax

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Discussions have been proceeding between M. Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador in London, and the British Government about Britain's contraband control in the Pacific which has resulted in the detention of the 4,000 ton Vladimir Mayakovsky and the detention at Hongkong of the 2,500 ton Selenga.

M. Maisky has had a number of discussions with the British Government about the Selenga which has been held up since the middle of January.

Russia's Argument

The question was again raised on Wednesday during his interview with Lord Halifax, his first interview since Russia invaded Finland.

Russia claims that the ships should be immune from the contraband control as they are not privately owned vessels but are owned by the State.

Great Britain recognises that State owned vessels would normally be exempt from control as in the case of warships, but takes the view that if they engaged in ordinary commercial traffic they must be treated in the same way as privately owned ships.

"Merely Routine"

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Soviet circles in London are trying to minimise the importance of the Soviet protest by M. Ivan Maisky about the British Contraband Control in the Pacific which has resulted in the detention of two Soviet ships in Hongkong.

These circles insist that Mr. Maisky's protest was "merely routine" and point out that it was a verbal rather than a written one.

Mr. Burgin In N. Ireland

Belfast To Aid In Winning War

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, announced to-day that a Belfast firm have received an order for 10,000 shells weekly. This is accompanied by a large capital contribution from the Imperial Exchequer towards the provision of a new plant and machinery. Mr. Burgin said that this was only the beginning.

Mr. Burgin is visiting Northern Ireland to see the progress of its war efforts.

In a speech given to-day, Mr. Burgin said: "We are willing to throw our entire weight into the scales and like our gallant French allies we pledge ourselves to a total war. Although the fight may be hard, long and inexhaustibly horrible, the dice are loaded in favour of a victory for the Allies."

CANBERRA, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Australian Budget will be submitted to the Commonwealth Parliament on April 17.

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1.05 Haydn—Symphony No. 102 in B Flat Major—Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra. 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with The Mills Brothers, Ginger Rogers, Charlie Kunz and The Hillars—Funiculi Funicula, Aaleop in the Deep, The Mills Brothers (Four boys and a guitar). The Piccolino, Ginger Rogers with Orchestra, Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R.14; Star Dust, Mr. Paganini, The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Harmonica Duets—Kronjoug, Succession, Italian Favourites, The Hodyns.

2.15 Close Down. 6.00 An Hour of Dance Music. 7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Variety with Quentin Maclean, Charles Kullman, Olive Gilbert and The Hillars—Lullaby, Little Dolly Daydream, Quentin Maclean, The Wings of Sleep, Mary Ellis and Olive Gilbert with Ivor Novello (at the Piano) and Orchestra; Rose of England, Edgar Elmes (Baritone); with Orchestra and Male Chorus; Haven of your Heart, Olive Gilbert (Contralto) with Orchestra; Song, Made, The Song of Songs, Quentin Maclean; The World is Mine Tonight, By The Dark Lagoon, Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.03 Divoré—Symphony No. 2 in D Minor, Op. 70—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Václav Talich.

8.40 Studio—Cello and Piano Recital by Ettore Pollegatti and Nura Kullman—Indian Lament (Dvorak); Kreutzer; La Gitana (Debussy); Chanson Villageoise (Debussy); Pavane Pour Une Infante Deuillante (Ravel); Variations Symphoniques (Bocelli).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary. 9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs".

9.45 Warner's "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg," Act III, Scenes 1-4—Characters and Soloists in order of appearance—David... Martin... Kremer (Tenor); Hans Sachs... Hans Hermann Nissen (Bass); Walther von Stolzing... Forster Ralf (Tenor); Beckmesser... Eugen Fuchs (Bass); Eva... Margarette Feschmacher (Soprano); Magdalena... Lene Jung (Soprano); with Chorus of the Dresden State Opera and The Saxon State Orchestra. Conductor, Karl Bohm.

11.00 Close Down.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1900. The increased immoral suggestiveness of the partially-concealed over the nudely-exposed was once more exemplified at the unobscured pious Strauss's Olympia show in London, where a lady acrobat equipped in the ordinary feminine garb turned somersaults from the shoulders of one male companion to another "with great neatness, revealing little of her lower extremities."

Our latest Australian advice inform us that poor old Joe Austin—who ran a shooting saloon in the Hongkong Hotel bowling alley with distinguished success for several months, about eight years ago—has lately opened classes in Sydney "to instruct ladies and gentlemen in the art of using fire-arms." It is interesting to note that the "revolver" is a specialty. Joe was a curiosity in his way but he retired to his home in the Colonies with Litterland Cunard, who at one time was partner with Keller, the best man at legendary Hongkong has ever seen.

The Prince of Monaco recently promised his wife to close the gambling bank at another side of the world. The suicide has happened, but the bank is still open.

25 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1915. The official German account of the Russian raid on Memel says that the Kaiser's son, Prince Joachim, accompanied the troops which liberated the town.

"Reuter's" correspondent at Vienna states that the civil population at Warsaw has been ordered to leave the city immediately, in expectation of a siege.

10 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1930. The German Government has resigned owing to differences between the Party leaders and the Government on the financial programme.

A number of the important West German steel concerns are being merged in a new Ruhrstahl Company with a total capital of Reich. Mks. 30,000,000. The combine is capable of producing nearly half a million tons of raw steel annually. Both the Vereinigte Stahlwerke (the German Steel Trust) and Thyssen are represented on the Board of the new company. Thyssen, who controlled this combine, is now a refugee from Naziism.

Hostilities between the Nationalist and anti-Nationalist forces have broken out in Honan, near Chengchow, following the Nationalist evacuation of the city. The Nationalist forces are being pursued by the Kuomintang troops.

While it is admitted by official circles in Nanking that the Chiang Kai-shek regime is facing a serious military crisis, threatening the overthrow of the Government, Marshal Chiang is quoted as saying that he is confident of the success of the Nationalist forces.

The Kuomintang, Leftist, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, known for his former association with M. Bordin, has issued a public proclamation which is published in Chinese newspapers in Peking and Tientsin stating that he fully supports Marshal Yen Li-shan and there establish an anti-Nanking Government. Mr. Wang's telegram is regarded by observers as a political gesture to secure the sympathy of the Soviet military.

5 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1935. The King has approved the appointment of Mr. Arthur Elton as Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, in succession to Lord Desborough whose term of office expires on June 1st. Lord Desborough is at present engaged on a farewell tour of Western Canada. Mr. Elton, who is an accomplished man of letters, is the first commoner to be appointed Governor General of Canada. Lord Tweedmouth (John Buchan) died recently.—Ed.

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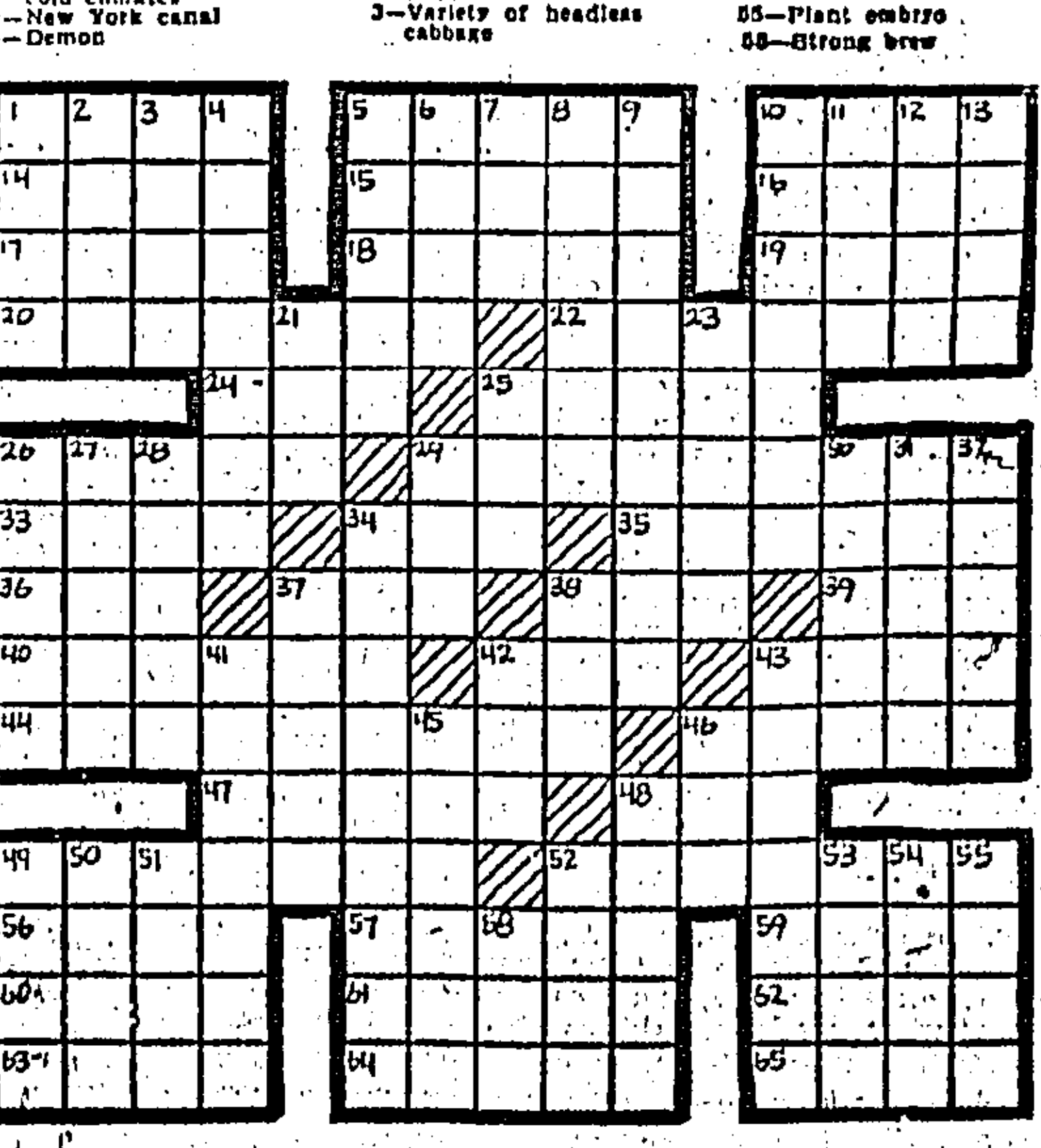
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1—Scandinavian mythological character
5—Kind of weevil
9—Jazz card
10—Shed like egg
11—Lighting device
12—Small river-duck
13—Trained business
14—Musical show
15—Italian money
16—Tripled
17—In virtuous manner
18—Hurred
19—Wading bird
20—Extortionist
21—Metal cases
22—Give money to
23—Beam of light
24—Immoderate partisan
25—Die
26—Like part
27—Owed
28—Builds
29—Youth
30—Fetters
31—Cretained devoutly
32—Laid open
33—Tripled
34—Spill
35—One who catches animals for fur
36—Minister's speeches
37—Track action
38—Slippers worn in cold climates
39—New York canal
40—Demo

DOWN
2—Not brought up correctly
3—Latin sobriety
4—Toured with tips of feet
6—Diminutive of Orville
7—Keenness of intellect
8—Capital of Georgia
10—Line roof of a building
11—English nobleman
12—Status
13—Hed flowers
14—Fruit of the ladder
15—Scottish memorial
16—Verse
17—Sound of crow
18—Course
19—Horn
20—Swelling place
21—Narrow band
22—Small cushion
23—Necropolis
24—Way to go
25—Country workers
26—Hra-symol
27—Drinking cuppler
28—Pist table-lands
29—Face of horse
30—Fury
31—Tune
32—Whirl
33—Vital
34—Pine
35—Plant embryo
36—Strong brew



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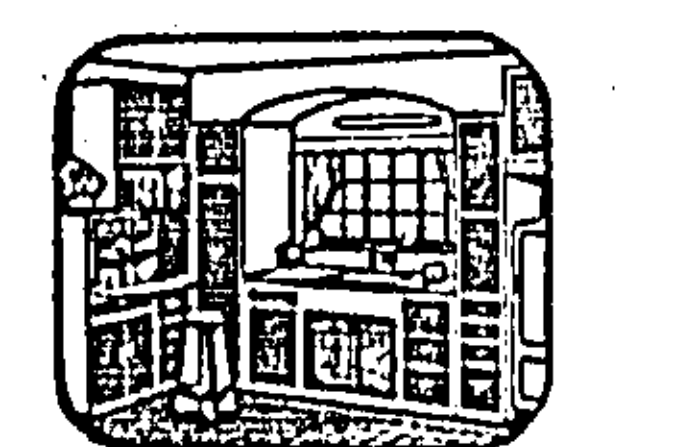
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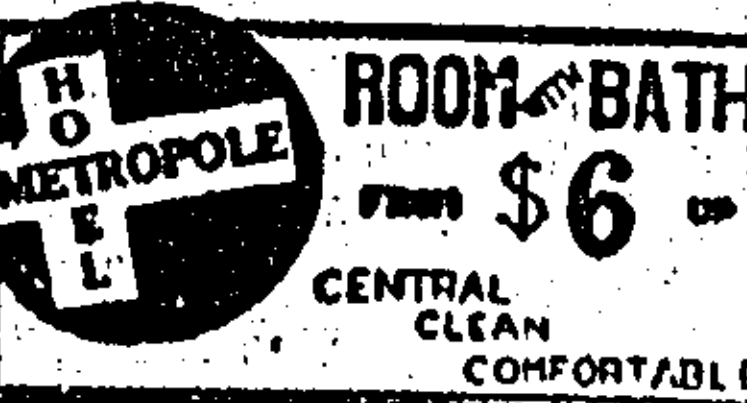


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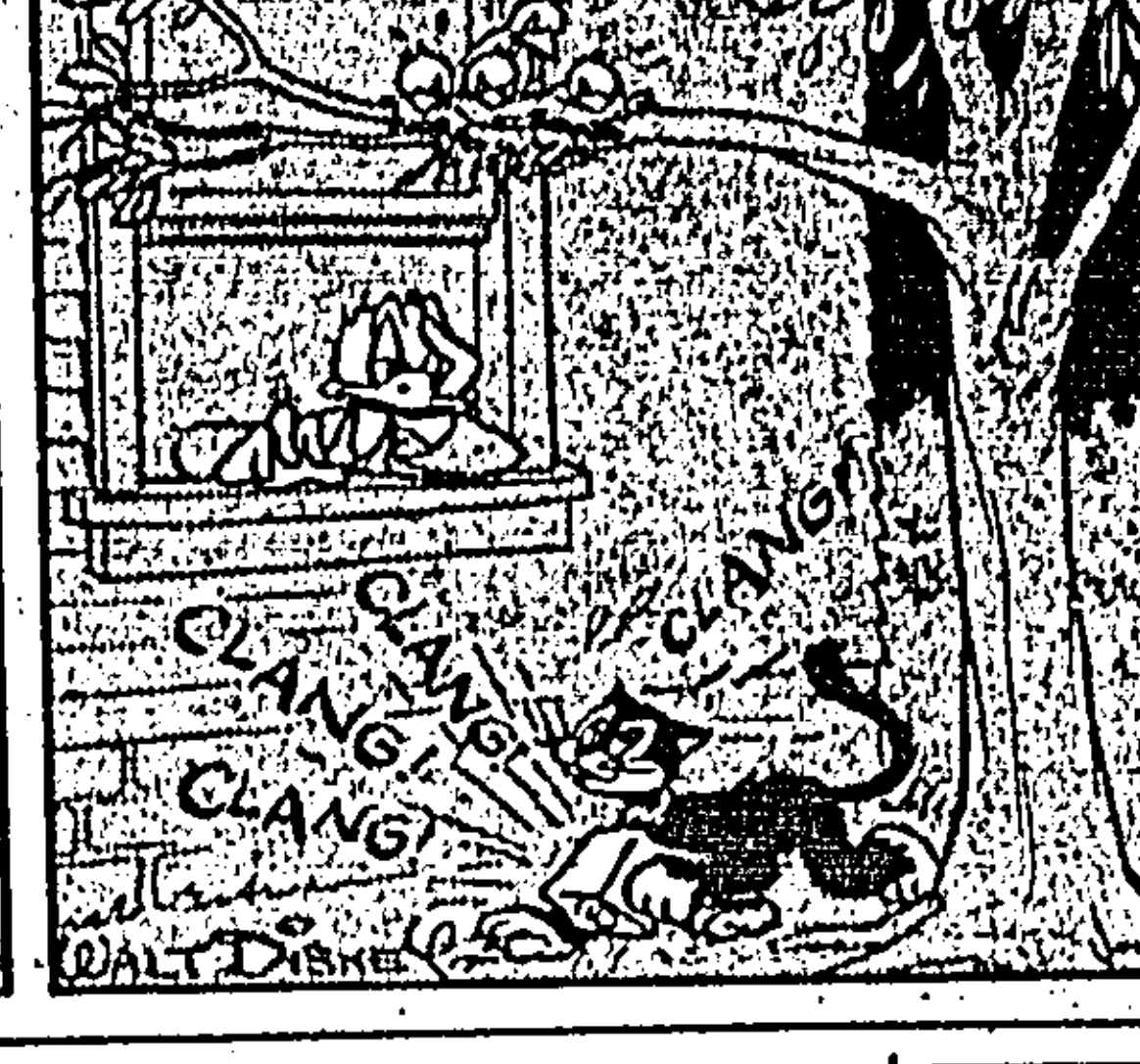
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Man who Boasted no Gaol Can Hold Him is Back in Cell, Caught by Shopman

STANLEY HILTON THURSTON, described by himself as "the man no gaol can hold," is in a cell at Brixton Prison, after eluding the police for six months. Thurston escaped from Lewes Prison August 9 last. He was captured after a struggle on a pavement in Oxford Street.

Responsible for his arrest was Leslie Pearse, a jeweller's assistant, who jumped on Thurston's back and brought him to the ground as he tried to escape from the police.

Thurston had called at Messrs. Attenborough's, jewellers and pawnbrokers in Oxford Street.

Describing the scene in the shop, the manager said: "Thurston is a powerful-looking fellow, and when he came in and went to our pledge department we had no idea who he was."

"Suddenly two officers came in and closed with him. They asked him his identity."

"In a flash Thurston had vaulted across the counter, had dashed through the shop and out into Oxford Street."

Ran Out Through Another Door

"Pearse saw the man run and darted out of another door to head him off. As Thurston dashed by Pearse sprang on his back and brought him to the ground."

"He was taken into the shop again by the police. He still struggled, and it took four officers to hold him down."

"A taxi cab was called, and he was driven in this to Tottenham Court Road police station."

Later in the day Thurston was brought up at Marlborough Street, and was remanded for a week in custody.

He was charged with having in his possession a woman's pearl and diamond dress-ring, a pearl tie-pin, a compact, a pencil and six medallions, supposed stolen or unlawfully obtained, and failing to give a satisfactory account of them."

Thurston, smartly dressed in a fawn suit, with a grey overcoat, was described as being aged 28.

When Police-Sergeant Inman had given evidence of arrest, Thurston, seated in the dock, was told by the magistrate to stand up to ask questions.

Thurston: "I don't feel like standing up. I feel rather groggy."

He was allowed to remain seated. Thurston applied for money found on him to be returned so that he could hand it over to a person he had been trying to trace for six months.

Detective-Inspector Frank Long said the police had no objection to £2 10s. being returned, but they objected in the case of £5.

The magistrate directed that the £2 10s. only should be returned at present.

Trying To Get In Touch With Elsie

Thurston: "I am against the law in many ways and I suppose I am a criminal. The person I am trying to get in touch with is Elsie, I would like to see her."

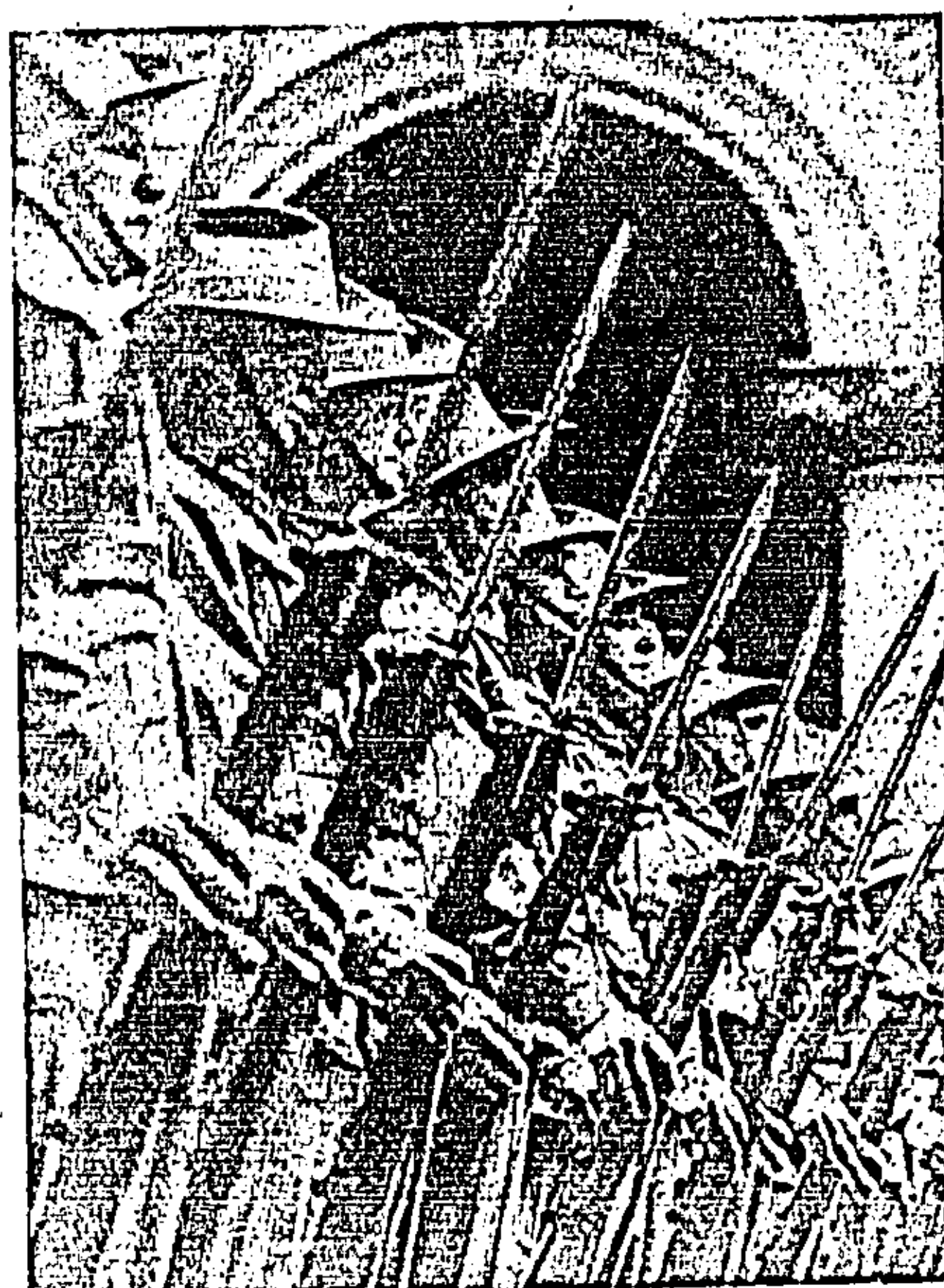


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DIGGERS PARADE IN MARTIN PLACE



Divorced, Re-Wed In 50 Minutes

FIFTY MINUTES after being granted a divorce in Edinburgh Court of Sessions from Tamara Desni, the film star, a baronet's heir was married to Antoinette Cellier, the stage and film star.

The successful petitioner and bridegroom was Mr. Bruce Lovat Seton, 30-year-old heir to Sir Alexander Hay Seton, the tenth baronet. Mr. Seton himself has appeared in films.

His second marriage was performed in an Edinburgh solicitor's office by the old Scottish custom of declaration—in the same way as those performed at Gretna Green.

Almost Beat Reno

Witnesses of the wedding were Frank Cellier, the famous actor, who is father of the bride, and Second Lieutenant Donald Stewart, a brother officer of the bridegroom in the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).

The time which elapsed between the divorce being granted by Lord Stevenson in the Court of Session and the marriage ceremony was a record for Britain and almost equalled that of Reno.

Miss Cellier said that she first met Mr. Seton when they were engaged in the production of the film, "Lucky For Me."

"When the date of the divorce hearing was fixed my fiancé telephoned to me in London and asked me to travel to Edinburgh."

"While he gave evidence in the action I waited at my hotel. About 20 minutes after he had gone to the court Mr. Seton telephoned that 'everything is O.K.' We hurried to the lawyer's office."

Lord Stevenson granted Mr. Seton his divorce on the grounds of his former wife's misconduct.

Tamara Desni (her name was given in court as Tamara Wilhelm, otherwise Desni, formerly Brodsky) was born in Russia in 1911 and, with her parents, fled from the revolution and settled in Germany. When 16 she became a professional dancer.

Norway Interns Grounded U-Boat

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
 KRISTIAND, Mar. 28 (UP).—A German U-boat was brought into harbour here at 2 p.m.

The Captain and crew have been placed under a heavy guard.

She is the vessel which grounded on Tuesday night among some small islands at Oddene east of Ryvingen. Despite requests for her release by the German Legation at Oslo, the Norwegian Government, after searching investigations, decided to disarm and intern the submarine.

It has been learned that the submarine is a 250-ton vessel of the class first shown during the manoeuvres during 1935 when she was used as a training boat.

Modern Vessel

She is one of the most modern construction and carries a crew of 50 whereas her normal complement is 23.

The age of the crew averages about 20 years and the Captain is no more than 30 years old.

Nazi Request Refused

OSLO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Norwegian Foreign Minister announced today that a German submarine on Tuesday night grounded in a very difficult place of small islands at Oddene, east of Ryvingen.

Meanwhile, the German Legation asked the Norwegian Government to release the U-boat pointing out that the U-boat was forced to enter Norwegian territorial waters due to bad weather and disorientation—the only two reasons permitting foreign warships to enter Norwegian territorial waters.

Poor Navigation

However, inquiry made by the Norwegian Government disclosed that the damage to the U-boat was caused solely by the grounding. The weather was not bad enough to have forced the U-boat to enter Norwegian territorial waters. The only cause was poor navigation by the U-boat, and even if erroneous navigation in connection with bad weather forced the U-boat to enter Norwegian territorial waters there is no legal right to allow the U-boat to stay there.

After all these were established the Norwegian Government determined last night to disarm and intern the

The Dud Goes Round and Round

STOCKHOLM.—A six-inch unexploded Russian shell, manufactured in Germany, is reported from Helsinki to have been found by the Finns, who may add yet another chapter to its strange history.

The shell, according to marks on it, was sent to Japan a year ago, captured from the Japanese in the fighting in Manchukuo and used by the Russians against the Finns. The Finns may use it against the Russians again.

It may go off some time.

German submarine. This work was carried out this morning after the Norwegian destroyer Odin arrived at the spot.

Norway's Decision

OSLO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The German Legation here asked for the grounded U-boat to be freed because it was damaged by a heavy sea and through having run aground.

These two references are the only legal reasons, according to Norwegian regulations, whereby a belligerent vessel can enter territorial waters.

As a result of investigations, however, it was disclosed that the U-boat was damaged only as a result of grounding and not on account of bad weather. The Norwegian Government has therefore ignored the German request and interned the

FINNS GIVEN NEW HEART

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The formation of a new Finnish Government has put fresh heart into the Finns.

They were at first stunned by Russia's immoderate demands but Helsingfors is now coming back to normal. There are more people in the streets while the hotels, cafes and cinemas are doing better business.

The new Cabinet has been well received.

"The Cabinet is considered to be an organisation of specialists well fitted to carry out the reconstruction programme."

SENTRIES GUARD FISHING FLEET

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Armed sentries were placed on guard over all neutral cargo and fishing vessels at Grimsby, Hull, to-day.

At this port and also at Scottish east coast ports all crews of neutral vessels are forbidden to go ashore and no one from the shore is allowed to visit the ships.

It is understood that these developments are in connection with the tightening up of the regulations which restrict the movement of foreign seamen.

A new drive against the leakage of information which might be useful to the enemy is believed to have been inaugurated.

Greece Reinforces Her Defences

ATHENS, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The defences of Greece have recently been reinforced.

It is learned that the Metaxas Line, named after the Greek Dictator General Metaxas, now includes 3,000 concrete defence works.

COMFORTS FOR AUSSIES ABROAD



The first batch of comforts from Sydney for despatch to the Western front (France). These have been sent by the Active Service Comforts Fund.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR THE RESERVISTS

General Sir Archibald Wavell, Officer Commanding in the Middle East, inspected Australian troops and camps and addressed thousands of men in a hollow square.

by the Commonwealth Government in the next two weeks.

Organisation at Rose Bay and at Mechanics Bay (Auckland, N.Z.) is ready for the immediate start of the service.

A new flying-boat, the same type as the Aotearoa, which will also be used in the service, will be available soon.

It will have an all-up load of 30 tons, against the 18-ton capacity loading of the ordinary Empire flying-boats.

The flying-boat will be specially stressed to carry more petrol and more passengers. Its range will be 2,400 miles, sufficient to fly to New Zealand and back to Australia at a normal cruising speed.

The service will be controlled by the Australian, New Zealand, and British Governments, Qantas Airways, Imperial Airways, and Union Airways of New Zealand.

ANOTHER TRUMPER

Some good judges who closely follow form and fortunes of the Mary district cricket team believe that if the season was not so far advanced the name of Victor Trumper might again appear in a New South Wales team.

The player who has in mind is the 25-year-old Manly fast bowler, son of the late illustrious batsman of the same name.

The new Victor Trumper, who was a babe in arms when his father died, registered a striking performance at University Oval last Saturday afternoon, when he dismissed eight batsmen at a cost of only 25 runs in 7.5 overs. It is true that the University batting is not very strong, but the performance was nothing wrong with the pitch on Saturday, and experienced players who witnessed Trumper's performance described it as one far above the ordinary.

He would say it was the best bit of bowling I have seen this season," said Mr. L. W. Gwynne, honorary secretary of the Manly club, and a former Sheffield Shield player. University representatives also warmly praised the excellence of Trumper's attack.

The performance was achieved in particularly happy circumstances, as on Saturday Trumper captained Manly for the first time, having been chosen to the Manly club and injured.

Trumper, who is 6ft. tall, makes good use of his height, and has a splendid delivery. A feature on Saturday was the manner in which he made the ball lift from the pitch; he freely caused one that swung back. His impressive length and direction was impressive, and he hit the stumps five times. Two of his other victims were caught behind the wicket, and the remaining one was taken in the slips. Some other "edges" through the slips could not be grasped.

Trumper last month took six wickets for 41 runs against Manly, his victims including J. J. McCabe. He has shown marked improvement this season, and has a splendid record against opening batsmen. Last season he headed the Manly bowling averages, and took 29 wickets; but he has already exceeded that number in the present season. He is of bigger build than his famous father, but has some of his father's mannerisms. He goes in near the end of the batting order, but possesses some batting ability, and would probably improve if he concentrated more upon this department.

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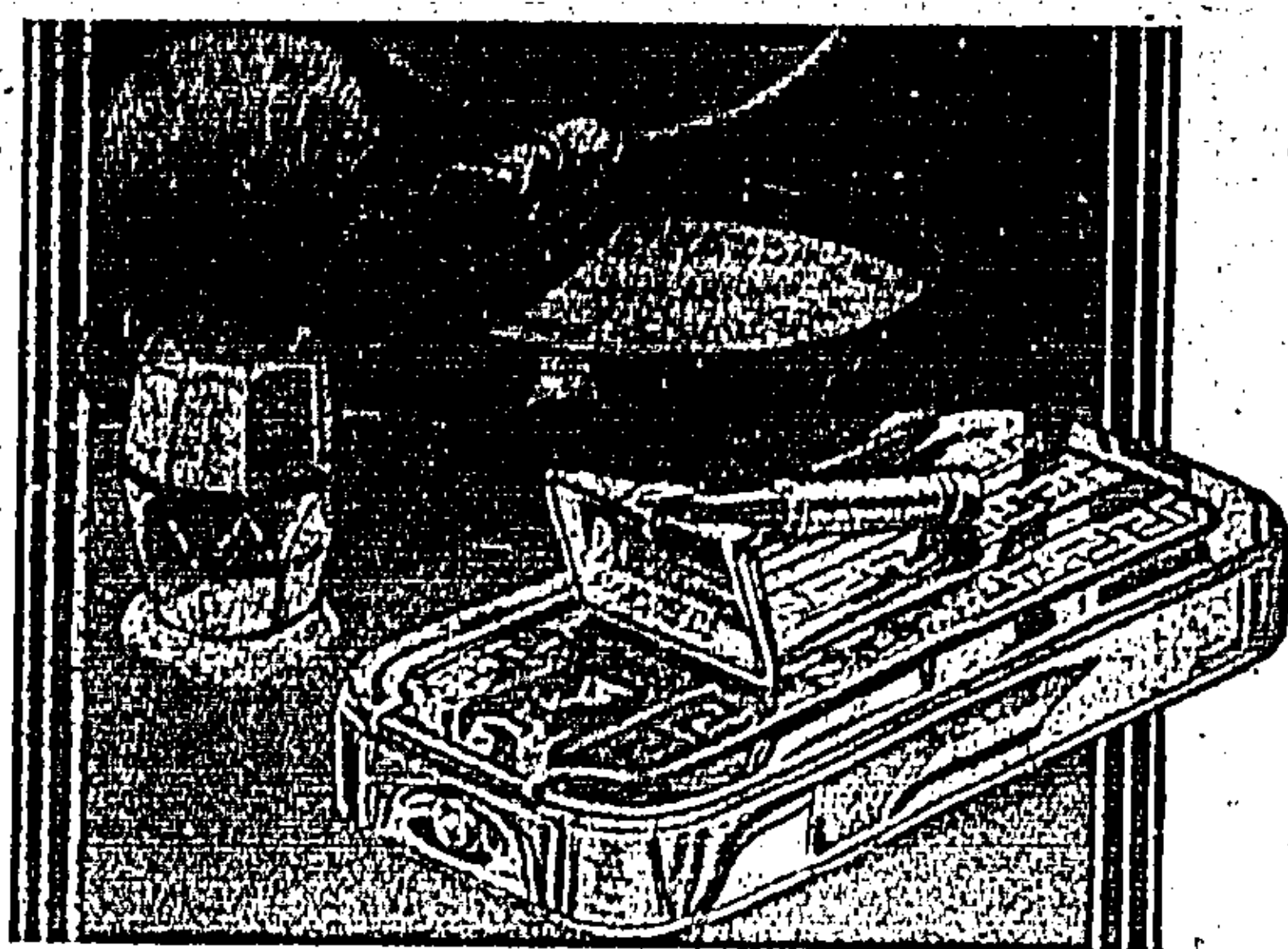
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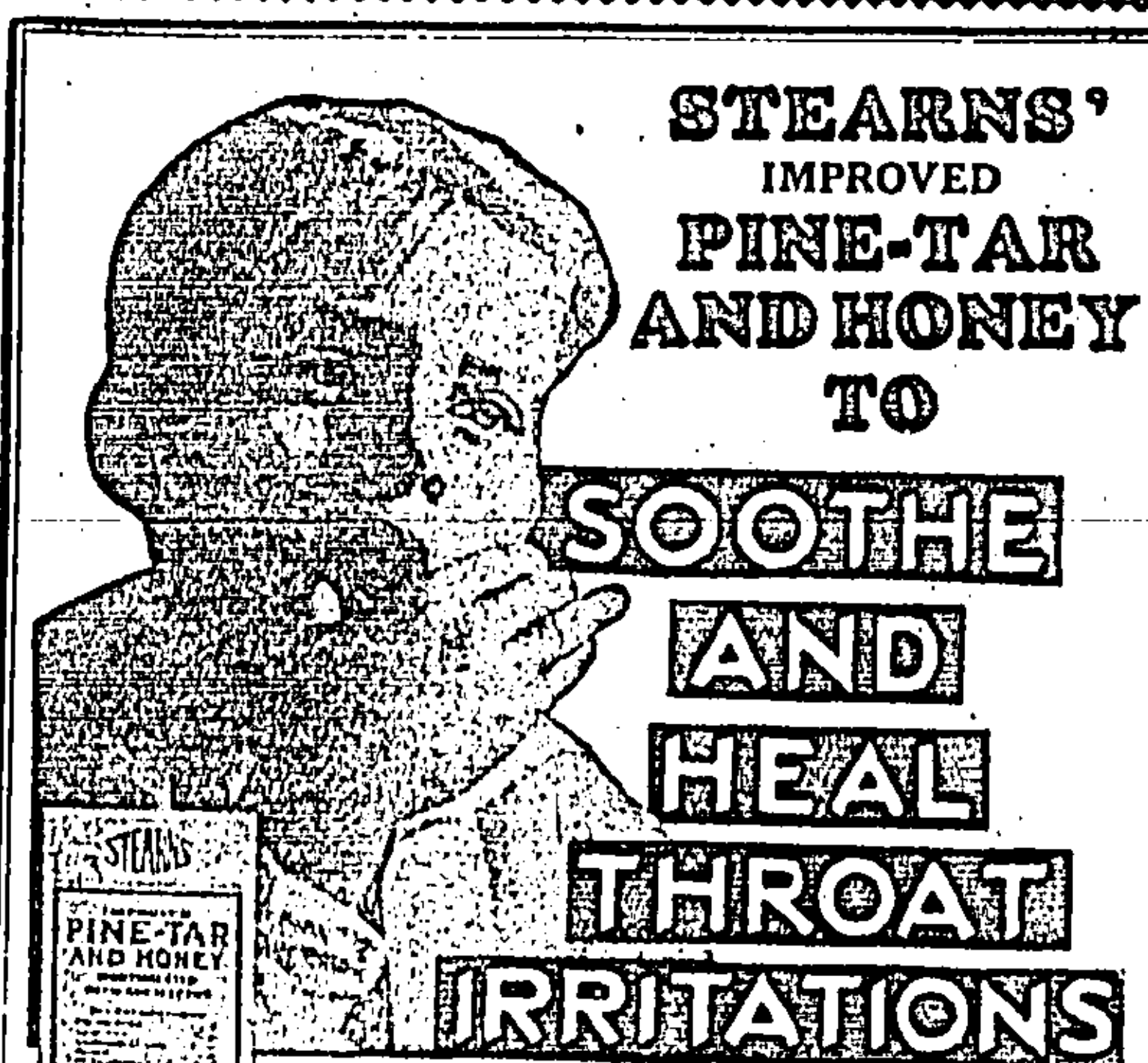
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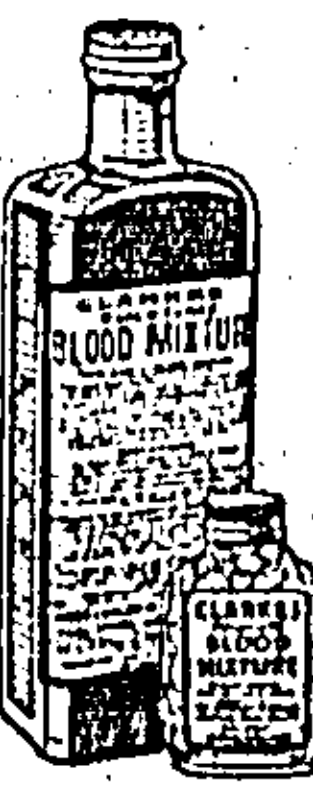
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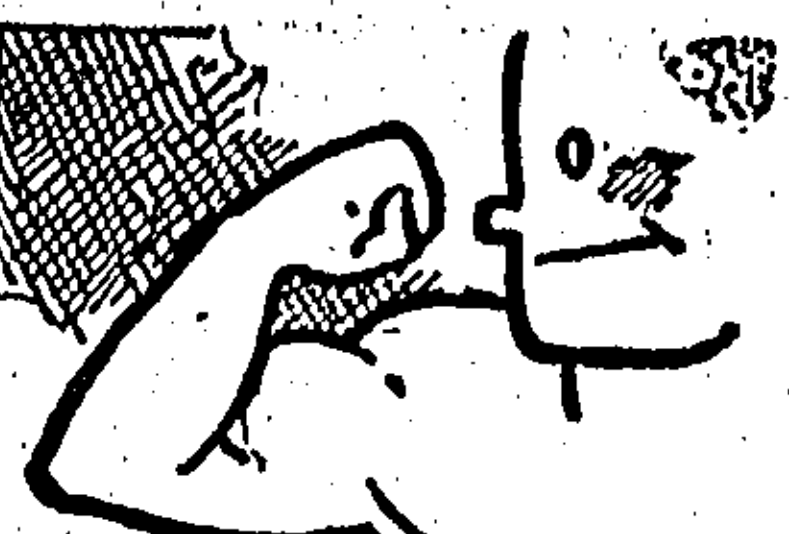
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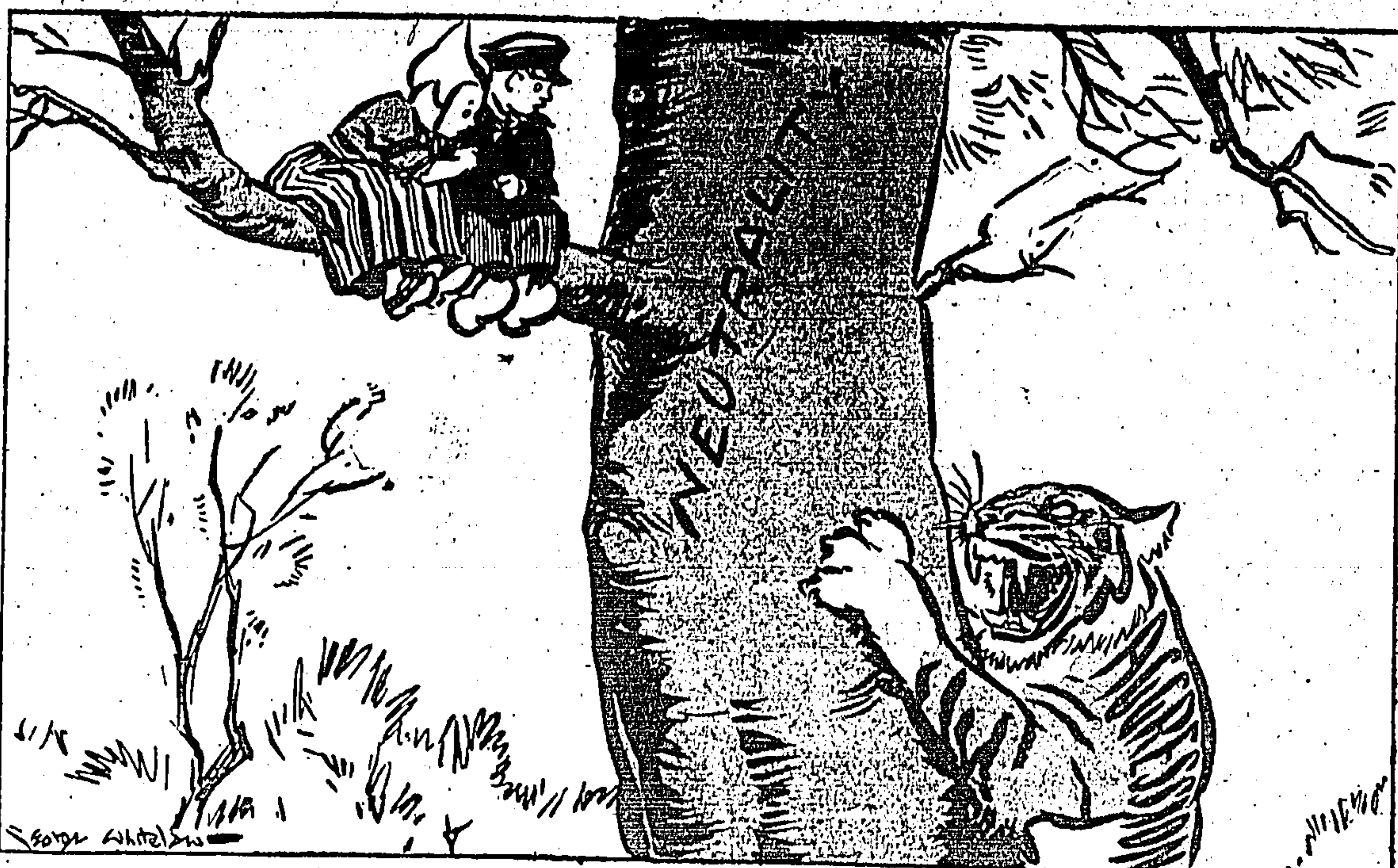
Food Prices And Cost Of Living

THE cost-of-living index dates from the last war, and its introduction then was symptomatic. In war under modern conditions prices must always keep on rising if they are left to themselves. When they have come to pinch the working-class consumer, determined demands are made for higher wages; and these, again, under war conditions cannot long be resisted. But they never permanently overtake prices. For, even if they do so temporarily in a particular instance, the increased spending-power conferred on the workers soon drives the prices higher again. That is the "vicious spiral" which produced the inflation of 1914-18. It caused unemployment in many classes and hardship in nearly all for at least ten years after the war was over.

Most people agree, in the abstract, that we ought now, as far as possible, to avoid repeating it. But how far can we? In "cost of living" there are three main ingredients—food, clothing, and housing. It is impossible to prevent the costs of the first two from rising; at the source. Both are affected by submarine sinkings, by the delays due to convey, by higher insurance rates, and in the case of clothing by heavy extra demands from the armed forces for uniforms. The question is, how far the State should allow these rises to be borne by the ordinary consumer, and how far it can intervene to divert them from him. Two main lines of intervention are open to it—rationing and subsidy. Rationing checks the price-rise by limiting demand. Subsidy checks it by artificially cheapening supply.

In the last war neither was resorted to until the struggle had been in progress for years. By then the upward movement had acquired a momentum which could not be arrested, though some brakes were put on its acceleration. In the present war it was inevitable that action should be taken much earlier. Subsidies began about the beginning of last December, and rationing soon after the beginning of this year. According to the full statement made in Parliament by Sir John Simon, the present cost of the milk subsidy is £235,000 a week, of the meat subsidy £350,000, of the bacon subsidy £300,000, of the bread subsidy £480,000. Thus the Exchequer is already contributing £1,115,000 a week to keep down prices to the consumer.

Mr. Keynes has pointed out—and Sir John Simon agrees—that subsidies are not a complete policy, and, unless balanced by others, may even be dangerous. For they encourage consumption, which, generally speaking, needs to be discouraged. Milk and bread can be justified as exceptions—milk because its production still leaves a large margin for health reasons, it would be better to see consumed in the liquid state; bread, because it is a necessity for the present and its cheapening does not cause the better-todo to eat more of it. But bacon is rightly rationed, and meat is about to be. The motive for rationing, of course, is not merely to keep down the cost of living, but to secure an equal division of restricted supplies. The question of supplies is primarily one of tonnage, though that of foreign exchange plays also an important part in it. And both are only aspects of a larger proposition, viz., that we can only throw a maximum of the nation's resources into the means for winning the war, in proportion as we reduce to a minimum the demands on those resources by ordinary civil consumption.



THE TIGER: "You have not offended me in any way. HOW DARE YOU!"

BLITZKRIEG?—the Lowlands are prepared

BY BERNARD MOORE

Locarno is now a dead letter, the undertaking has been renewed. Her main defences, therefore, are designed to check an invading force until such time as help could come.

Along her frontier have been built tiny concrete pill-boxes holding one or two marksmen only. The men who man these pill-boxes have sworn to die rather than let the enemy pass.

Behind the pill-boxes are trenches masked by "asparagus" beds for tanks. Some miles behind the trenches are Belgium's main defences, the rivers and canals.

In the north is the King Albert Canal, more than 100 yards wide, with steep, deep banks. Along its 200-mile long south bank lies a line of low, businesslike looking forts whose concrete and steel walls are believed to be capable of standing up to any bombardment.

From Liege, itself heavily fortified, run three lines of similar forts, most important of them being that along the rugged banks of the River Meuse.

Talking of this defence line, one humorist said that anyone trying to break through it would need three suits. One, a climbing outfit to clamber up and down the

steep river banks; then a diver's suit to cross the water; and finally a suit of heavy armour to get anywhere near the forts.

A few years ago Belgium's Air Force was a pathetic handful of rather old-fashioned planes. Today it is still small compared with the armadas of the Great Powers, but its commander, Major-General Duvivier, regards it as a swarm with a vicious sting.

Holland's fighting forces, perhaps because they have not fought for so long, are something of an unknown quantity. Last time the Dutch fought in Europe was in 1831, when they conducted a brief 10 days' campaign in connection with the separation of Belgium from Holland.

Her peace-time strength at home is some 10,000 troops in four divisions, with an overseas army of 40,000, for, don't forget, Holland has an extensive Empire.

To-day, she has something under half a million men under arms, with mobilisation only partially completed. They have all seen service under the Colours of Holland has compulsory military service.

Like the Belgians, they have been

Intensively trained, and Holland's Army Chief, Major-General I. H. Reynders, has worked out a plan of defence particularly suited to the country.

The system of flooding is well known, not so well known are Holland's skimming infantry, armed with Mannlicher carbines, who may one day play the same rôle in Holland that the crack skiers of Finland are playing to-day.

Unlike Belgium (which has one fishery protection vessel) Holland has a fleet.

It consists of five cruisers carrying 6-inch guns, one coastal defence ship (11-inch guns), eight destroyers (with four buildings), 12 torpedo boats (with 32 buildings), 21 submarines (with nine buildings), and a number of minelayers and minesweepers.

Her fleet is ninth largest in the world.

Almost as important as the Army is the potential defence force provided by the Dutch population.

All civilians between the ages of 18 and 60 are liable to be called upon to assist the military authorities.

They may be called upon to repair damaged roads, bridges and railways damaged by bombs; to build or pull down fortifications; to build and dig watercourses, help in the reinforcement of dykes and canal banks.

Like Belgium, Holland's Air Force is small but efficient, consisting largely of the famous Fokker planes.

These are the armies, small but highly-trained, equipped with the latest weapons of war, which wait for any German move against their country.

Latest news from the Lowlands is more reassuring. But, even if this crisis blows over too, the Lowlanders, armed and resolute, will watch and wait.

EUROPE'S FIGHTING-MEN

Ally and Enemy Personnel

By LEWIS SPENCE

Thrice Armed

And there is this to be remembered; no public is so liberally educated in the political sense as the French. It realises precisely for what it is fighting, and a people which knows that it is thrice armed. It may be added that in all ages no troops in Europe have ever been the equals of the French in technical knowledge and use of their weapons, be these swords, matchlocks, Lewis-guns, or modern artillery.

The German is a good, handy soldier as regards weight, romantically courageous, and with an almost adolescent sentiment about military glory. His sense of esprit-de-corps is high, but is apt to partake of the nature of herd-instinct, and the best among them are determined fighters. In his first years of military life he is usually carefree and good-natured, but a year or so of soldiering seems to make him sudden and dour. He imbibes the Prussian military tradition, which is a callous one and comes to regard himself as a cruel tooth in a great and relentless harrow.

The sense of personal enterprise among the German peasant rank and file is almost nil, that to be found in the city battalions being only a little more developed. As has been said by a keen observer, there is "a suicide dash-point" in the character of the German townsman, a tendency to sudden psychological breakdown and despair when confronted with precisely these overwhelming conditions which bring out the best qualities of the Briton.

Unimaginative Leaders

No population has been so subjected of the doctrines of morbid psychological theorists and pseudo-philosophers, as that of the great German cities, and this has induced in them a keen sense of the tragedy of existence. The modernist tendencies in thought of the hyper-civilised communities of Germany are apt to produce what the German himself calls "brain-sickness" and a belief that the world is very much what Mrs. Gamp called "a wale of sorrow"—by no means the best philosophy for a fighting man, even if he be intoxicated by Nazi enthusiasm.

I fully believe that the German soldier has nearly always been hampered by a wholly unimaginative leadership, bound to hard-and-fast strategic dogmas, which makes no provision for unforeseen occurrences. In such-and-such circumstances, PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

Y. M. C. A. AMATEURS SCORE HIT

"Housemaster" A Fine Production

The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club's production of "Housemaster" provides stimulating evening to Hongkong's current entertainment season and fully merits a prominent position in the honours list of the Colony's amateur stage productions.

Last night's opening performance was by no means without blemish, but the defections were so slight that they could not affect the general impression—that an amusing play had been excellently performed.

Starbuck Stars

Leonard Starbuck captured chief honours for a splendid portrayal, in which clever voice inflection, smooth acting and a decided "stage personality" constituted the chief features. As the play pivots around him as Charles Donkin, the lovable, understanding Housemaster, practically all the scenes are dominated by his presence. The role is, therefore, of extreme importance, and Mr. Starbuck's interpretation was as polished a piece of work as we have had the pleasure of seeing from any amateur player. We suggest that considerable more use might be made of Mr. Starbuck's talents in the future to the general satisfaction of the play-going public of the Colony.

Fine Supporting Cast

He is supported by a very conscientious cast, in which William Colledge as a self-conscious lover, William Robertson as a casual, casual colleague of Donkin's, John Greenberg as a forensic diplomat-in-the-making, Geoffrey Eastgate as the Rev. Edmund Ovington, bumptious, unsympathetic headmaster, and Henry Smith as Old Crump, dumb but dutiful, figure prominently.

Important parts are competently handled by Dora Lanchester as the conscientious Barbara Fane, who gives up 17 years of her life bringing up three young girls possessed with modern ideas, Lillian McFarlane and Olive Starbuck as the two nieces, and William Ashton as Sir Berkeley Nightingale, whose skilful "wire-pulling" finally brings the play to a happy ending.

Clever Juveniles

Miss Sylvia Boas and Master Peter Sale play the juvenile parts with a pleasing flair, and the lesser, but quite important roles are well taken by Robert Donney, Phyllis Colledge, Rita Cole, Bryan Brencley and Tony Cole.

The play is produced by John Buley with a sympathetic and comprehending touch, and all those associated with the production have every reason to feel wholly satisfied with the results of their efforts.

Further performances will be given to-night and again tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, the proceeds being devoted to the British War Organisation Fund.—S.A.G.

Canadian Elections

Govt. Wins In Provinces

Social Credit Party Returned

EDMONTON, Alberta, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Social Credit Government, led by Dr. Aberhart, the 61-year-old Bible teacher and religious broadcaster, has been returned to power in the provincial election.

The latest reports on the voting state that parties are as follows: Social Credit 29, Independent 17 and Labour one.

The Social Credit candidates are leading in nine other constituencies and the Independents in one.

British Press Reactions—The Canadian elections were the subject of leading articles in the British Press today.

The "Times" says that even those who were critical of and distrusted the government preferred to leave the conduct of the war in their hands.

The "Daily Herald" comments that the various "sit-the-war" candidates were annihilated. Canada has given an overwhelming demonstration of her resolve to stand beside Britain in the fight for freedom.

The same view was expressed by the "Manchester Guardian" and the "Yorkshire Post."

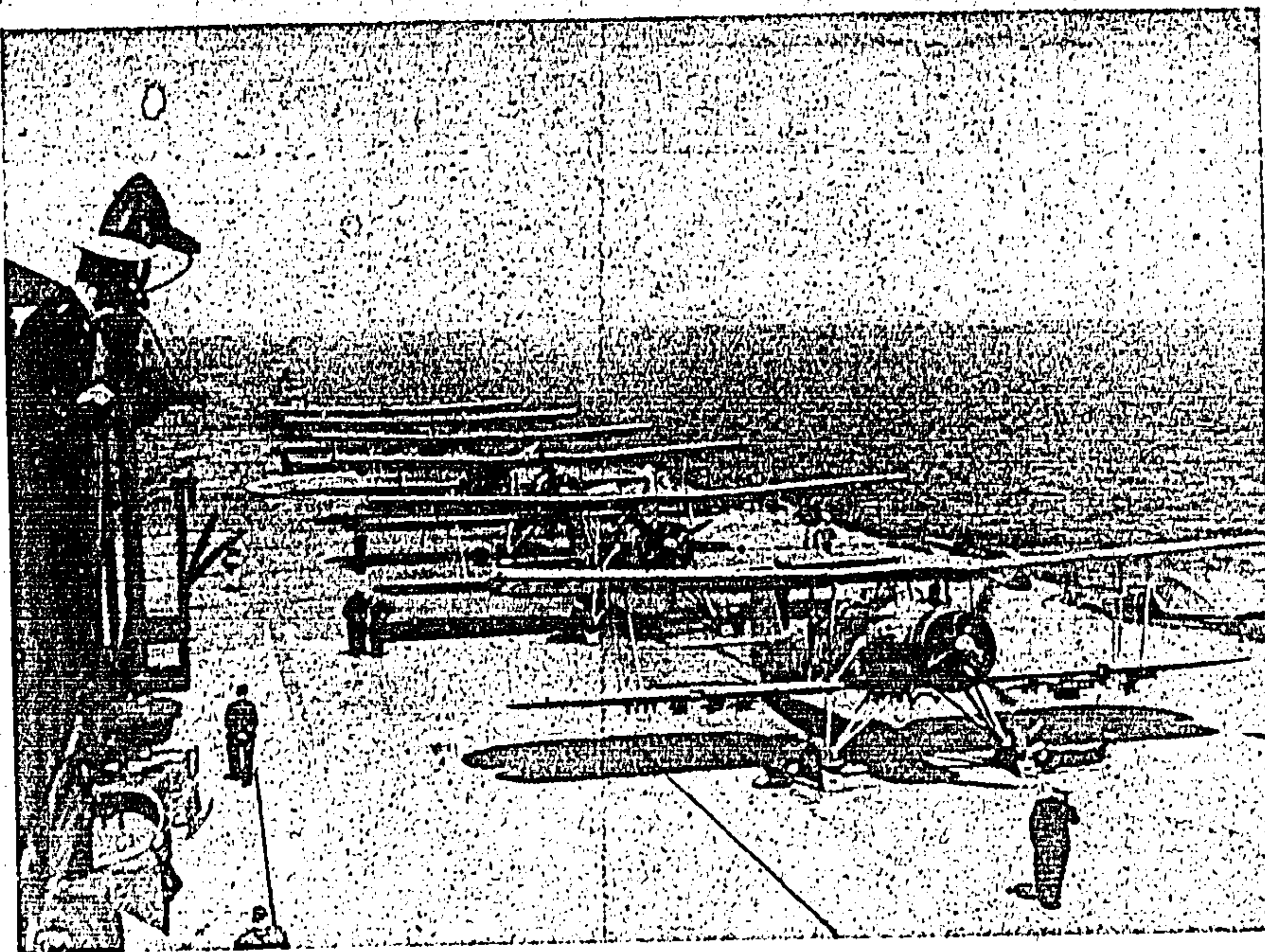
The latter says that the people of Britain are greatly cheered by this fresh evidence of Canada's resolution to stand shoulder to shoulder to defeat Hitler. The British Empire is as true as steel, says the paper.

IF WAR SPREADS TO NEAR EAST

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—PARIS, Mar. 28 (UP).—It was announced by a semi-official source today that the conference of French, British and Turkish military chiefs at Aleppo has reached a complete agreement concerning the nature of operations in the Near East in the event of war being extended to that area as the result of a German or Russian attack.

Colonel Sibert, former Director of the Munich Military Academy, returned to Berlin yesterday after his visit to the Near East, and is reported to have expressed lively apprehensions because of the rapidity with which the Allies and Turkey have co-ordinated their plans.

HERE'S THE SHIP THAT GOEBBELS SUNK



Nazi propaganda was given a nasty slap in the eye when, after it had been repeatedly claimed that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had been sunk by the Germans, the warship turned up safe and sound, first in Cape Town and now this last week in an English port. This interesting picture shows aircraft lined up ready to take off from the flight deck of the Ark Royal.—Crown Copyright.

WATSON'S THREE LAKHS PROFIT DURING 1939

Tribute To Late Mr. J. D. Humphreys At Annual Meeting

A NETT PROFIT OF \$326,279.41 ON THE YEAR'S WORKING WAS REPORTED BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. D. E. CLARK, WHO PRESIDED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MESSRS. A. S. WATSON AND CO., LTD., AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL THIS MORNING.

Mr. Clark was supported by Mr. J. Scott-Harston and Mr. S. T. Williamson (Directors). Mr. W. Paterson (Director and Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. Peter Wong, F. W. Stapleton, L. Guy, Wong Kin-tsoi, R. H. Wild, R. Johannesen, C. B. Brown, J. E. Jupp and N. V. A. Croucher.

Mr. Scott-Harston's Tribute

Before the Chairman's address, Mr. Scott-Harston paid tribute to the memory of the late Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

He said:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—As the Director with the longest period of service on the Board of this Company, I have been asked by the Chairman to say a few words in tribute to the memory of the late Mr. J. D. Humphreys, who was familiarly known to us all as "Dick." His first appearance in the Far East in the days of his manhood occurred in 1911, when he came out to join Messrs. Holiday, Wise & Co. in Manila. He remained there until January 1915, and then proceeded to England where he entered the British Army, with which he served throughout the war. After his demobilization at the commencement of 1919, whereupon he returned to Hongkong and joined the firm of John D. Humphreys & Son, wherein he was made a partner in 1920, and in which firm his father became a partner many years previously.

74 Years Association

It is of interest to note that the Humphreys family have been associated with A. S. Watson & Co. ever since the year 1866, when the late John D. Humphreys (Dick's grandfather) joined it, and became sole proprietor in 1874, the business being turned into a Limited Company in the year 1886, so that the family connection therewith covers the lengthy period of 74 years.

Dick possessed all the ability of his father and grandfather, and his genial presence and assistance was greatly missed by those associated with him in business. In the social world too, his "passing" was sadly regretted by his many friends, for he was ever a kind-hearted sportsman in the true sense of the word, who had no enemies anywhere, and I would ask you to rise and stand in silence for a few moments as a mark of respect to the memory of our old comrade.

Chairman's Speech

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, You will observe from the Accounts placed before you that, disregarding profit realised as a result of the sale of the Kowloon Branch and property, net profit for the year under review amounts to \$326,279.41, as against the previous year's total of \$318,027.55, which I feel sure will be considered highly satisfactory.

In attaining this figure, all Hongkong Departments registered further material increases in volume of business, and although a larger balance of profit might well have been anticipated on this account, it should be borne in mind that due advantage was taken of the favourable position to allocate more substantial allowances than hitherto for Depreciation while, additionally, reservations have been made against Passages, etc., in connection with Home leave for staff also for publicity purposes on the occasion of the Company's centennial anniversary which takes place in 1941.

Adverse Canton Conditions—Incidentally, the adverse conditions

affecting our Canton Branch in recent years showed no improvement and as—despite all measures taken on the point of economy—certain unavoidable overhead expenditure had to be met, viz., rent, fire insurance, premia, and minimum salaries and wages, I regret again to record a loss on the year's working of this section of the business.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, you will note that the appropriation of \$50,000 made at our Annual Meeting last year as a Reserve against Outstanding Accounts in China has been fully utilised chiefly to write off accounts for Aerated Water containers in the possession of Agents and Dealers in the outlying districts of Canton. Needless to state, as soon as circumstances permit, every endeavour will be made to recover such stock which, if successful, will result in the equivalent value being placed to the credit of this particular Reserve for future use against contingencies of a like nature.

It will be observed that Current Liabilities amount to \$511,162.98, this being a reduction of \$90,796.15 on the figure for the preceding year and due chiefly to elimination of the entry under bank overdraft. Further items under this heading—namely Trade Creditors and Bills Payable show an increase of \$38,712.88 but as these apply to commitments in respect of Stock requirements, the heavier outlay can be attributed to increased purchases to meet the exigencies of the prevailing abnormal trading situation.

Profitable Transaction

On the Assets side of the Balance Sheet, you will note that the value of Land and Buildings has been reduced by \$27,500, due to the decision to dispose of the Kowloon Dispensary during the year in view of the favourable offer received for the purchase of the Building and Stock. The profits on this transaction amounted to \$52,600, and is dealt with under the Credit side of Profit and Loss Account.

Subject to your approval, it is proposed to augment General Reserve by \$150,000, bringing this Account up to \$700,000, which is the highest amount under this heading in the history of the Company and I feel sure it is unnecessary for me to emphasize the importance of strengthening our Reserves against all possible eventualities.

Outlook For 1940

As regards the immediate outlook, I may mention that trading returns covering the first four months of the current financial year indicate that all Hongkong Departments have registered substantial increases in turnover compared with the corresponding period of last year; due consideration, however, must be given to the fact that War-time regulations, prohibiting the export of a number of Hongkong commodities to certain Southern markets, affect our Company to some extent and, in addition, with advancing costs of raw materials and higher overhead expenses the margin of profit will necessarily be restricted.

I do not think there are any further matters calling for comment and I now formally propose that the Report and Statement of Accounts, as presented, be adopted and that the Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account as at 31st October, 1939, namely, \$400,927.71 be appropriated as follows:—To Pay a dividend of 80 cents per share, absorbing \$120,000, pay a bonus of 45 cents per share \$67,500.00, transfer to General Re-

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
Demand	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	350
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	91 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	22
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	150
T.T. Bangkok	108 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	68
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 3/4
4 m/s D/F	1/3 3/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	23
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	84
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.60

U.S. Ship In Distress

Sends Out S.O.S. From The Pacific

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (UP).

The 6,000-ton American ship Antinous is wallowing in heavy seas off the Japanese coast, and has sent out an S.O.S.

No details were given, except that the location of the distressed freighter is about 1,500 miles from the Japanese coast.

The Antinous was built 20 years ago, and is owned by the Waterman Steamship Corporation of America.

To The Rescue

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Steamer Admiral Halstead has radioed that she is proceeding to the aid of the distressed American freighter Antinous, 1,500 miles off the Japan coast, and expects to reach the latter's position at 3 a.m., Pacific Standard time on Friday.

KING APPROVES APPOINTMENT

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King, to-day approved the appointment of Sir Ian Colquhoun as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Sir Ian, who is 53 years of age, is the Chief of his Clan and Lord-Lieutenant of Dumbartonshire. He was appointed Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1932.

He is also the Lord Rector of Glasgow University, a position which he has held since 1934.

Sir Ian served in the Great War, served \$150,000.00, transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation Account \$10,000.00, write off Building Improvements \$14,271.87, and carry forward to next account \$90,855.84.

Excellent Results

In seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. Stapleton congratulated the general managers (John D. Humphreys and Son) and staff on the excellent results of the year's working.

The report and accounts were carried unanimously. Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Croucher, Mr. J. Scott-Harston, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Mr. S. T. Williamson and Mr. W. Paterson were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Mr. C. Bernard Brown and Mr. S. T. Butlin were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. Jupp, seconded by Mr. Guy.

NEUTRAL A REMINDER

Norway Not Blind To War Situation

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The Oslo newspaper, "Tidensstemning," remarks: "It is clear that when the British violate our neutrality we must protest. That does not mean that we are blind to the basic difference between the German and British violations, and we are undeniably surprised when the German Press makes a fuss about the latter, and talks about international law. People in glass houses must not throw stones, and Mr. Chamberlain's words that British warfare has not yet cost a single neutral citizen's life still hold good."

The "Bruxelles Peuple" says: "At a moment when Germany makes such great efforts to tighten the bonds with Russia and constitute a triple alliance, the Russian meekness to the energetic French gesture will not be appreciated in Berlin."

Not Backing Down

The "Los Angeles Times" says: "Those who talk glibly of the prospects of an imminent negotiated peace coming from the blue evidently fail to realise that such a formidable world power as the British Empire has not mobilised its tremendous resources only to back down without making any use of them or trying their luck in the field of battle."

The "New York Times" on the Canadian elections says: "Mr. MacKenzie King must feel well pleased with himself to-day. . . . The decks are clear in marking the words 'For a vigorous war effort by a united country.'"

Misguided Germans

ANKARA, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The newspaper, "Ulus," says: "The Germans were misguided to undertake a war of nerves against the British people, whose nerves are not easily affected. Indeed they possess none."

Women's War Work In H.K.

Madame Chiang Meets Local Leaders

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, who came to Hongkong last month to obtain medical attention for her nose trouble, a few days ago summoned the leaders of local Chinese women's organisations to her residence to hear their reports and to give specific instructions regarding their future work.

The interview lasted four hours, states "Central News."

Among the Chinese women leaders present were representatives of the Hongkong Branch of the National Women's Relief Association, the China Defence League, the Hongkong Chinese Women's Association, the Hongkong Women's Committee of the National Association for the Promotion of the New Life Movement, the Hongkong Chinese Women Soldiers' Relief Association, the Hongkong Y.W.C.A., the Hongkong Branch of the National Association for the Care of War Orphans, and the Canton Y.W.C.A.

Madame Sun Yat-sen and Madame H. H. Kung, elder sisters of Madame Chiang, were also present.

Workers Praised

Madame Chiang expressed gratification at the patriotic work undertaken by the different organisations here and instructed that as many enthusiastic workers as possible should be allowed to take part.

Madame Chiang paid a glowing tribute to Madame Sun Yat-sen for the role she played in the development of the Chinese Industrial Cross Society of China. Thanks were also expressed by Madame Chiang to Madame Kung for her support of productive enterprises.

According to Madame Chiang, the Winter Garment Campaign which she sponsored last winter raised a total of \$7,000,000 (Chinese currency). Referring to women's activities in Chungking, Madame Chiang said that a patriotic spirit has been fostered among Szechwan women largely through the efforts of the Chungking Women's Service Corps.

This Corps did valuable work in rescuing the wounded and dying during the Japanese bombings of Chungking and in inducing women to join productive enterprises in the wartime capital.

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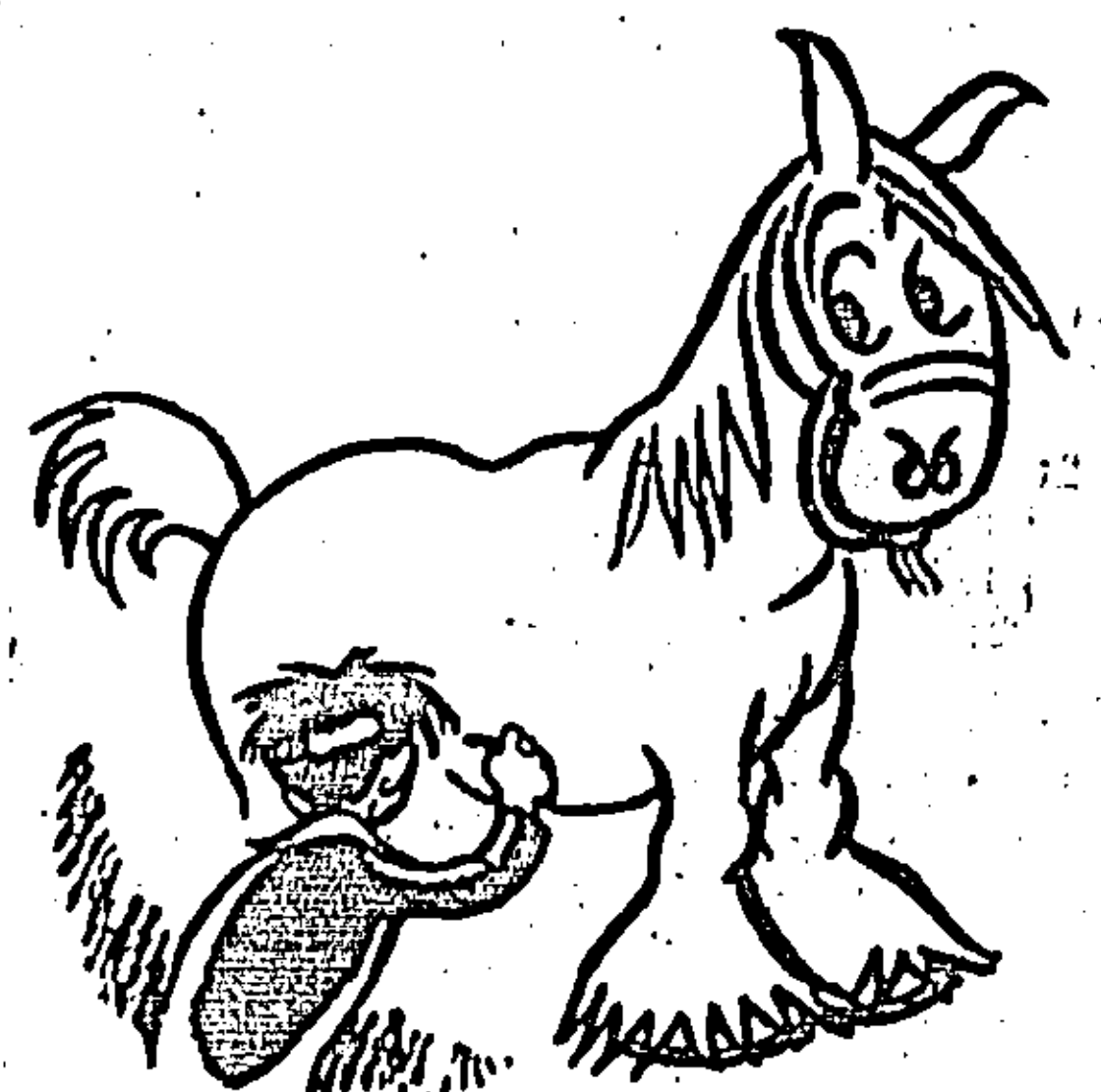
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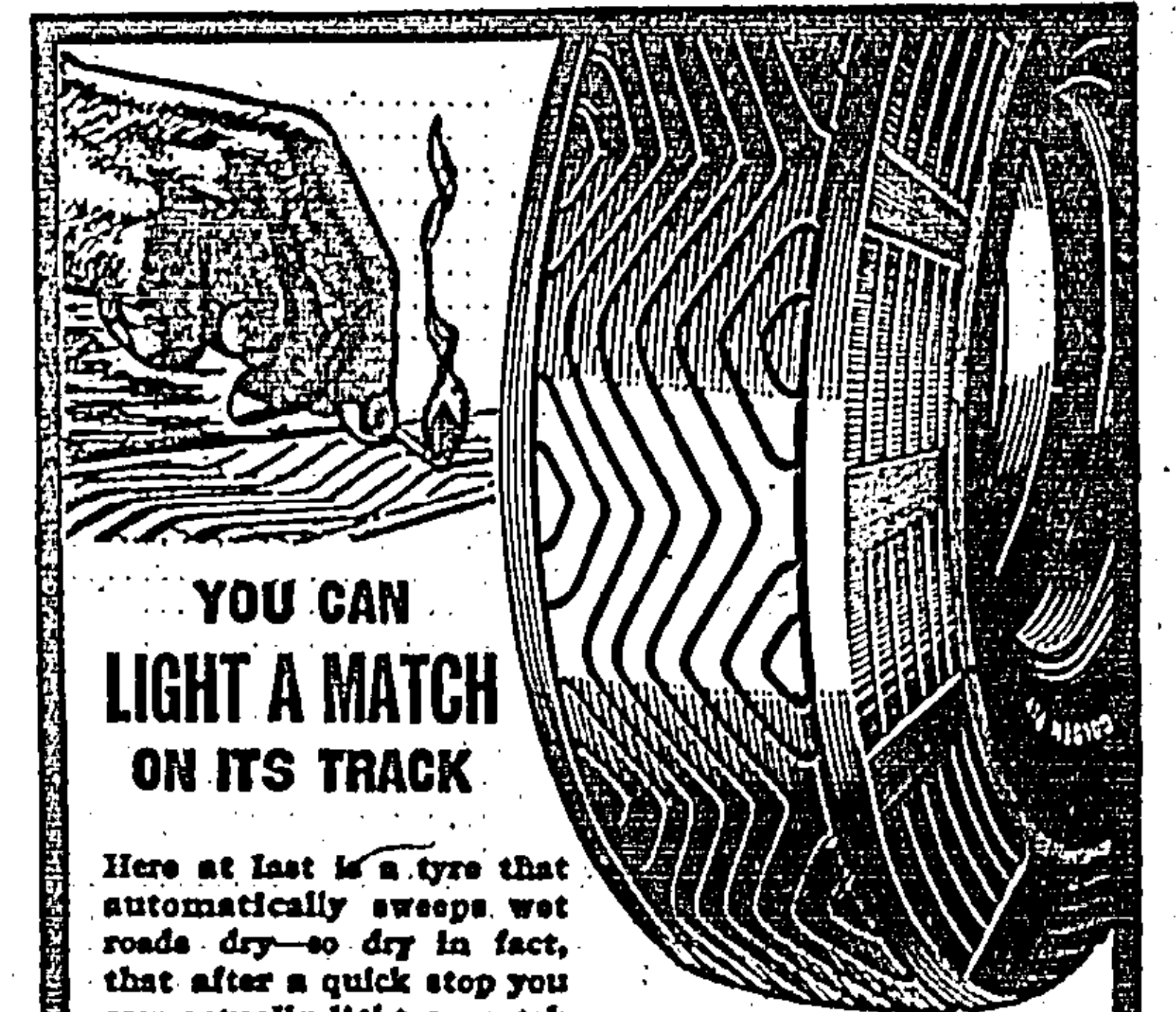
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EASTER MEET. PROVIDES THRILLS FOR BIG CROWD

More Australians For Hongkong

A notice by the Hongkong Jockey Club has been received inviting members to subscribe for Australian ponies to be raced in 1941, and it is interesting to relate that the list is limited to 125, which is double the last season's total.

It will be recalled that this year's batch consisted of 61 ponies and there were three sections of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, each having 16, 15 and 14 runners respectively at the big meeting. If fully subscribed, which I am positive it will, it is no exaggeration to predict that we will have four or five sections at 1941 annual meeting. The cost is \$700 per pony, but ladies who are not lady racing members of the club must be duly nominated before their names can be added to the subscription list.

This intended lot of 125 ponies plus the 50 of a superior class mentioned in my notes of March 8, would give us a total of 175 new animals from the Antipodes and it can be safely said that the events for China ponies at the 1941 Annual Carnival will be in the minority.

MARBER HEADS LIST OF WINNING OWNERS

IT SEEMED that Mr. B. W. Bradbury's (who is on the high sea to South Africa) stable could not go wrong at the Easter Meeting, for he has collected a total sum of \$2,100 contributed by Hughber, Jobber, Johnber and Wilber. The performance of Johnber in the opening event, the Mira Bay Stakes, was amazing because he beat the much fancied O-Lan (Mr. Needa) by one and a half lengths in 1.59 flat for a mile run, and we should, therefore, take a note of the Marber's candidate as a mudlark.

I was delighted to see Mr. A. H. Penn's Valorous (well known performer on a muddy course) cloaking through the heavy track in years after a terrible downpour, and with the able assistance of Mr. Trevorton, the combination won the Gin Drinkers (half a mile) in 1.05 1/2. Valorous is the oldest racer on the list of the lucky stables:

Marber's	Hughber	\$300	
	Jobber	600	
	Johnber	600	
	Wilber	600	\$2,100
L. Dunlop's	Confusion Bay	525	
	Dupont Bay	600	
	Mount Hope Bay	200	1,325
T. K. L's	O-Lan	900	
	Oonagh	400	1,300
Eu Tong-sen's	Rose Emily	600	
	Springhurst	600	1,200
Lucky's	Lucky Lady	600	
	Some Hope	200	
	Sydney Lad	300	1,100
Kong Brothers'	Gay Star	600	
	Hopeful Star	300	900
H. Lehigh's	Guinness Time	600	
Coco's	King Kong	600	
	Violet Queen	200	800
S. L. K's	Celtic Star	750	
L. Reidy's	Many Thanks	600	
Diamonds'	White Diamond	600	
Gredka's	Murumbidgee	600	
G. Trevorton's	Bruno	600	
M. A. E. Garrett's	Sapper	600	
Helenado's	Valorous	600	
Hung's	Blue Diamond	600	
H. and H's	Fel Ying	600	
Quartermaster's	Burford	525	
Lan's	Far View	300	
	Peaceful View	200	500
Unicorn's	Phoenix	450	
Manetta's	Chatterbox	450	
Li Po-chun's	Distinctive Time	200	
	This Time	200	400
Ash's	Rowan	300	
C. N. K's	Radium Star	300	
Yam Man's	Australian Prince	300	
Dr. Lee Shu-keo's	Portrush	300	
Huo's	Franklin	300	
S. W. Lee's	West Lake	300	
H. Y. Liang's	Perola d'Orléans	300	
H. and W's	Advancing Time	300	
Bird's	Spartan	200	
V. M. Grayburn's	Avon	200	
J. G. Whitaker's	Clover	200	
Overland's	Flying Dutchman	200	
Sunnydale's	The Tigress	200	
P. M. Ho's	Tarzan	200	
Yick's Chim's	Leicestershire Lass	200	
M. H. T's	Double Chance	200	
Wetoo's	Fair Chance	200	
Miss Li Po-chun's	Red Feather	200	
G. Tinscoe's	Vixen Tor	200	
Fans'	Laughing Girl	200	
			\$22,300

Open Doubles Matches Yesterday

Very mediocre fare was provided in the two doubles encounters in the championships at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday.

Pang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu proved much too steady for J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet and won 6-2, 6-4, and 1. In the Club handicap doubles, suffered the same fate at the hands of Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan, who won 6-3, 6-3.

In the Club handicap H. J. Armstrong conceded S. M. Garrard a walk-over. In the handicap mixed doubles J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill, (-15.2) beat P. Wynter-Blyth and Miss B. Fair (Scr) 6-2, 6-1. In the Club handicap doubles, Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson and Capt. Hobbs (-2.0) beat F. MacLeod and F. S. Hall (1.0) 6-0, 6-0.

Close Finishes And High Prizes In The Cash Sweeps

WE MUST THANK the Weather Clerk for providing punters with glorious sunshine on Easter Monday with the result that a bigger crowd turned up on the second day of the Easter Meeting than the first.

Racing was of a very high standard and there were several close and exciting finishes. This, of course, spoke very highly of the distribution of the avoirdupois by the handicapper, who had a hard problem in weighting together the old ponies and the griffins of this season. The best work was seen in the Easter Stakes over a mile, when the judges could not separate the champion, Burford, (Mr. Pih) and Confusion Bay (Mr. Black) for the first position in the frame.



FAR VIEW'S FIRST DEFEAT

Sapper Nicely Handled By W. H. S. Davis

THE RESULT of the Albury Handicap confined to "A" class Australian ponies was Sapper (Mr. Davis), Far View (Mr. Pih) and Sparrow (Mr. S. L. Yuen), and all the placed cobs were the subscription griffins of this season.

Without prejudice, the success of Mrs. Grasett's racer seemed to convey the impression that Mr. Encarnacion's style of riding with long stirrups did not balance well with Sapper. However, it was a fine race, and Mr. Davis nursed his mount to a nicely. Lying handy when entering the straight, he brought Sapper in the right moment after passing the mile beacon, and the combination never looked back again, to win on the bit.

It was Far View's first defeat, but it was no disgrace because the mare was carrying the limit load. The old ponies, all of whom had a pull of a few pounds, did not impress that they (Baffin Bay, Lancashire Chips, Lucky Lad and Triumphant Day) were at one time or other racers of some calibre.

"E" Class For Australians Soon?

The first two (Springhurst and Australian Prince) placed ponies in the Sydney Handicap for "D" class Australian ponies were of this season's bunch, and in the circumstances it will not be long to see the creation of an "E" class for the old stagers.

In order to gauge the attendance of the followers of the turf the first prize of the cash sweep in the last event on Saturday was worth \$3,227 to ticket No. 3381, which drew Fei Ying ridden by Mr. P. Wei, but on Easter Monday the lucky No. 3451 in the last race fetched \$4,530.40, and it was won by Guinness Time with the same jockey in the saddle.

Good sport was enjoyed by all the race-goers who had certainly the full value of their money's worth. Those "who have gone down the sink" must admit that there was no runaway victory by many lengths. I have segregated the margin of defeats with the following results:

Dead Heat 2 races
Short Head 1 "
A Head 1 "
A Neck 1 "
Half-a-length 2 "
A Length 3 "
1 1/2 do 4 "
2 do 4 "
3 do 2 "
4 do 1 "

It will be seen from the above that four events out of the total of 20 races were annexed by two lengths, two by three lengths and a single contest by four lengths.

Golf

Triple Tie In Bogey Par Pool

Mr. and Mrs. H. Overy (18+25), Surg. Comdr. and Mrs. C. B. Nicholson (8+30) and Lt. Col. and Mrs. H. Rose (9+22) all tied at one down in the Mixed Bogey Par Competition held over the New Course at Fanling during the Easter Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Overy won the competition, however, as they had the best scores over the last nine holes.

WELL-KNOWN HONGKONG SPORTSMAN DEAD

Brigadier H.C. Harrison

THERE ARE MANY sportsmen in Hongkong who will recall the name of Brigadier (then Colonel) H. C. Harrison, and who will remember the intense interest he took in all forms of sport here. To these people, and there are quite a number, the news received in the Colony yesterday of his death must have been a shock.

His athletic keenness was intimately associated with the Hongkong Football Association, of which he was Chairman in 1936, the Hongkong Rifle Association, and local rugby circles. His was a familiar figure at the Triangular Rugby Tournaments during his stay in the Colony, and on more than one occasion was referee.

Himself, he was a rugged international, having played for England against Scotland in 1909-10, and against Ireland and France in 1914, and he did whatever he could to impart his knowledge of the game to local players for the betterment of the game here.

He was the unique record of the having played for and captained both the Army and Navy Rugby sides, deep regret.

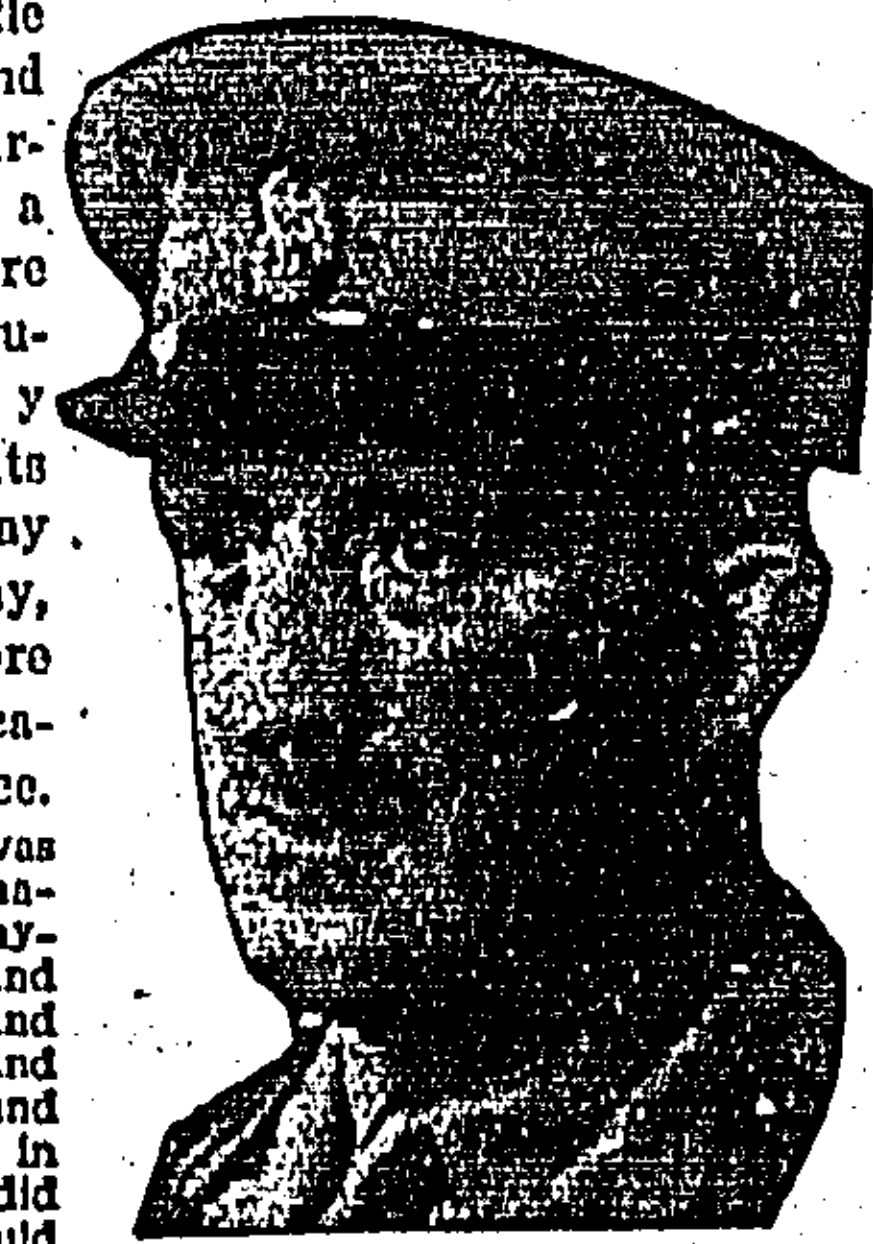
This was during the early days when he was an officer in the Royal Marines.

His County "caps" included the Midland Counties, Kent, Devon and Hampshire, and he only gave up active participation in rugby following his accident when a Welsh player kicked him in the face.

He was President of the Hongkong Area Sports Board in 1937, and throughout his stay here was very interested in the Army Boxing Tournaments, at which he was a regular supporter.

One of the last pictures of him was the one printed on this page. This was at the Army v. Empire match at Richmond, on January 25, which was a trial for the selection of an Army side to go over to France and play the French Army.

He is well remembered in Hongkong, and numerous friends among the sporting associations of the Colony have given expression to their deep regret.



SATINLIGHT'S SURPRISING FAILURE

Dead Heat For First In Easter Stakes

WHAT WAS WRONG with Mr. Erle Moller's Satinlight in the Easter Stakes? It even appeared that the punters were in the know, for they could not place any confidence in the pony, in fact the stable companion, Spiclight, had more tickets for a win than the Derby winner in the pari-mutuel department.

The running of Satinlight was a dead failure, and I wonder whether the stallion was short of a gallop or two. He was looking a nice picture in the parade ring, but when it came to racing, Satinlight was worse than a school-boy, and he finished behind Spiclight, who was fourth.

I sounded a discordant note in this column that Burford had a stiff proposition by conceding 10 lbs. to Confusion Bay. I do not believe in crying over the spilt milk, but had Confusion Bay kept a straight course, the judges would have been forced to give another decision than a dead-heat. Considering the state of the going it was a wonderful fast run over the mile in 1.54 1/2, but I cannot help saying that the joint winners were rocking in the home stretch owing to the terrific pace set by Mount Hope Bay with Mr. Proulx in the saddle.

P. Y. T. WEI TOPS WINNING JOCKEYS

THERE WERE TWO disqualifications, Many Thanks (Mr. Davis) for boring, and Jennifer (Mr. Black) for crossing. The latter has deprived Mr. Black of the honour, heading the list of jockeys, and the most successful rider at the Easter session was Mr. Peter Wei with a ratio of 3-2-3 mounts.

A most interesting feat of Mr. Black's riding was that he was not placed either second or third, and his three winning mounts were two dead-heat on Chatterbox with Phoenix, and Confusion Bay with Burford.

Mr. G. Trevorton rode two clever races on Valorous and his own Bruno and it may interest one to know that he has up to date eight winning mounts. Two more successes will graduate him to the "black-jetties" fraternity. There were placed 21 jockeys during the two days of racing and the list of successes is made as follows:

	1st	2nd	3rd
P. Y. T. Wei	3	2	3
D. Black	3	—	—
V. V. Needa	2	3	2
L. B. Chao	2	2	2
H. C. Pih	2	1	1
W. H. S. Davis	2	—	—
G. Trevorton	2	—	—
H. J. A. Heame	1	3	—
W. G. Poy	1	2	—
P. P. Botelho	1	—	3
S. C. Ling	1	—	1
B. L. Tao	1	—	—
Ho Hong-ping	1	—	—
H. M. Botelho	2	1	—
Ip Kuei-ying	1	—	1
Ho Fung-ming	1	—	—
Yuen King-kwai	1	—	—
B. Proulx	—	2	—
S. L. Yuen	—	1	—
R. K. C. Chui	—	1	—
A. D. Copplin	—	1	—
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SINGAPORE SOCCER TEAM PLANS TOUR

MANILA, Mar. 28 (UP).—The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation to-day received a challenge from a Singapore Chinese football team which is planning to visit Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila in the summer.

Dunbar Stable Sold To Mr. T. K. Li?

It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. L. Dunbar has sold all his Australian and China ponies to Mr. T. K. Li (owner of O-Lan, Omaha and Conagh), and the price paid was close on to \$25,000. The string consists of Alexandria Bay, Baffin Bay, Confusion Bay, Dupont Bay, Galveston Bay, Hillsboro Bay, Mount Hope Bay and Venus Bay, and the racers will appear at the next meeting in Mr. Li's red and white stripes, red cap, to be ridden by Mr. V. V. Needa.

The sale of these first class animals will no doubt be a great loss to Mr. D. Black, for it will seriously affect his prospect of becoming the champion jockey of this season.

On account of business where his presence is necessitated in Shanghai and New York, Mr. Dunbar has thought it best to quit, but Mrs. Dunbar, I understand, will continue to race her lot of ponies.

Badminton

Wong And Miss Cheung Enter The Mixed Doubles Final

(By "Tinker")

P. H. WONG AND MISS W. CHEUNG entered the final of the Colony Mixed Doubles badminton championship last night when they beat H. and Miss D. Eardley by 15-5, 15-12 at the Club de Recreio.

There was no doubting the merits of the winners, for though the opposition, especially H. Eardley, were somewhat off form, they were nevertheless a strong combination. Miss Cheung's play was extremely good, and she completely over-shadowed her opposite when at the net.

Individually and as a combination, the winners were better than their opponents: Patrick Wong, at certain stages of the match, was inclined to be erratic with his cross-court smashes, and quite a number were over the side-lines, but he later improved and repeatedly scored winners with shots from the baseline that dropped just over the net.

Eardley never gave his sister the support that was needed to win such a match. His backhand shots were weak and his overhead was unreliable. On one occasion he completely missed the shuttle in making a vicious smash. Miss Eardley, too, was inclined to be nervous, but she gave as good account of herself as the opposition would allow.

EASY FIRST GAME
WONG and Miss Cheung led throughout the first game. The second game was a different story. By concentration on Miss Cheung, the Eardleys went into an 8-5 lead, but a series of misunderstandings at this stage saw them drop back until the score was levelled at 8-8.

The Chinese pair took the lead from 9-8 to 11-8 before the Eardleys pulled themselves together, and with a great effort drew up to 11-11.

Wong and partner secured service and

ran up to 14-11 and after allowing one more point to their opponents, took the game at 15-12.

At King's College, K. L. Yung and Miss U. Khoo beat J. Clark and Mrs. T. J. Beattie 15-10, 15-9 in the other mixed doubles semi-final, and will, therefore, play M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva to decide who will meet Wong and Miss Cheung in the final.

Junior Singles Semi-Final

N. L. SMITH went into the final of the men's Junior Singles championship at the expense of T. S. Young by scores of 15-12, 15-8. Young put up splendid resistance in the opening game, and only dropped away after a misunderstanding in the scoring when the score was 10-9.

In the second game, there was nothing startling. Smith was head and shoulders above his opponent and ran out an easy winner at 15-8. Smith will now meet W. Gillies in the final.

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Tuesday, April 2, at 8 p.m. The Rev. S. Hinchcliffe will give a lecture on the origin and growth of Association Football.



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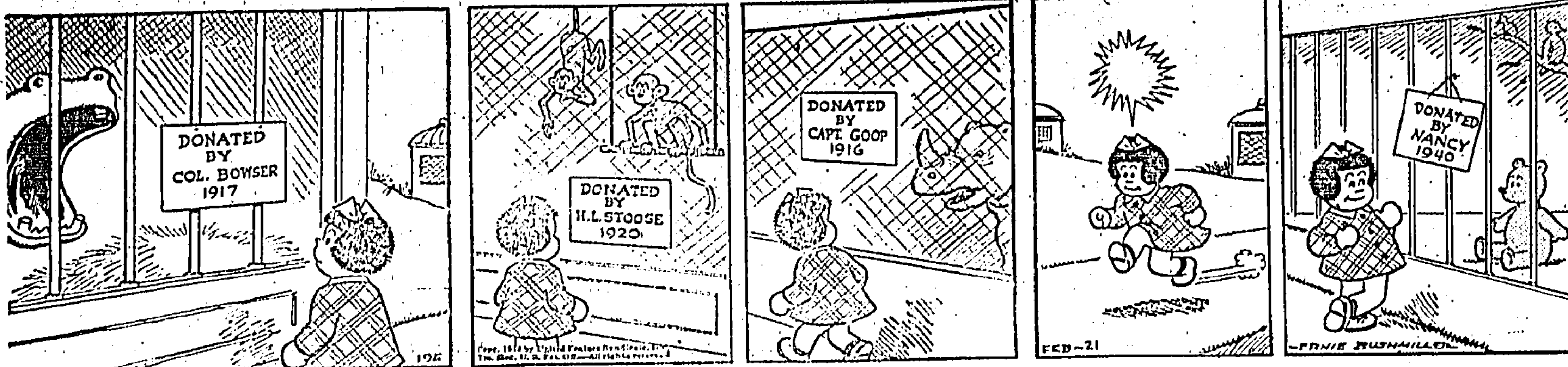
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Gave Information In Germany

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A former high Dutch official of the Ministry of Economics has just received a stiff prison sentence for giving away information to Germany. According to the "Telegraaf" he gave information to Germany which led to the sinking of at least one Dutch ship. He also had photographic copies of official Ministry documents in his possession.

He was sentenced to 2½ years imprisonment. His wife was given 18 months and his clerk two years.

TRAWLERS NOW WARSHIPS

Germans' New Move

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Mar. 28 (UP).—It is revealed that the German vessel which British bombing planes sank in an action in the North Sea on Wednesday, was a heavily armed ship of about 1,000 tons. According to reliable reports, the Germans have specially converted fishing trawlers into patrol ships which are carrying anti-aircraft guns. The converted vessels are known as "Flakes."



One of the last pictures taken of Brigadier H. C. Harrison. He is seen here (centre) arriving at the Richmond ground to watch the Army-Emire rugby match on January 28.

William J. Gallagher Passes Away

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Mr. William John Gallagher who was formerly the Chairman of the Rubber Growers' Association.

Spanish-Japanese Trade Agreement

MADRID, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—A trade agreement between Spain and Japan has been signed here. Spain yesterday celebrated her first anniversary of the occupation of Madrid by General Franco.

Stolen Goods Receiver Sentenced

Judge Considers Plea Of Mitigation

Kwok Chun-shuen, formerly employed as a broker by the China Export and Import Co., a German firm which has been liquidated since the outbreak of the war, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions today on four charges of receiving stolen goods of newsprint.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin, prosecuted, and Kwok was defended by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on the instructions of Mr. M. A. da Silva. Jurors empanelled were: Messrs. P. K. Pavri (Foreman), F. J. Tavares, V. T. Low, Leung Kam-kwong, Yee Kih-seng, Chung Shau-ki and M. A. Xavier.

The charges were laid as a result of an alleged theft of 158 reals of newsprint, valued at approximately \$15,000, belonging to the "Ta Kung Pao" by one of its employees who subsequently absconded.

Kwok previously stated he did not know that the newsprint had been stolen. It appeared to him the newsprint had been ordered by the "Ta Kung Pao" and the order had been placed in his hands by a man named Hsu Kuo-chen whom he had known for two years. Hsu held a responsible position in the newspaper firm and had authority to give orders. This morning, Prosecuting Counsel addressed the Court on various aspects of the case and briefly on the point of law.

Very Remarkable Man
Mr. Macnamara said the Jury had to consider whether the accused had put up a reasonable explanation; if he had, that meant that the Crown had not discharged its burden of proving the guilt of accused.

Hsu, said Mr. Macnamara must be a very remarkable man, for not only was he trusted by the accused, but also implicitly so by his employer.

In the course of his summing up His Lordship told the Jury that there were three things that they had to be satisfied about before they could return a verdict of guilty. Firstly, they had to be satisfied that the "paper" had been stolen from its proper owners; secondly, were the Jury satisfied that the accused received these papers? There could be no dispute about that; the goods had been transferred from Holt's Wharf to the Wing On Company's godown and lodged in the godown. In the accused's mind, thirdly, the Jury had to consider the all important point of whether when the accused received the paper, had he known that it had been stolen?

After dealing with the evidence in the case, His Lordship said it was the duty of the prosecution to prove beyond a doubt that accused was guilty. If the Jury had a doubt that meant that the prosecution had failed.

Mitigation Plea
Retiring for several minutes, the Jury returned a unanimous verdict of "Guilty" against Kwok on each of the four counts.

In mitigation, Mr. Macnamara reminded the Court of the accused's good character and conduct. Accused was married and had three children. In all the circumstances, he hoped that accused would be dealt with leniently, for if he was sent to prison it would ruin him entirely.

Accused said: "I am asking your Lordship to deal with me leniently because this is my first offence and being a business man I have not much knowledge of the law."

Before passing sentence, His Lordship said the amount of money involved was very considerable indeed. In assessing the sentence he would bear in mind the accused's record which was one accused had every reason to be proud of. He would also bear in mind that the "Ta Kung Pao" had displayed a child-like faith in their employee.

JAPANESE DRIVE IN KWANGSI

Chinese Admit New Offensive

A "Domel" message from Nanning, to-day states that Japanese troops on Wednesday started a new drive in Southern Kwangsi with a view to defeating the Chinese troops infesting the area west of the Yamchow-Nanning highway.

One Japanese column, it is stated, reached Sohu, key town on the Nanning-Chennankwan highway about 30 miles southwest of Nanning, on Wednesday while another detachment reached Kiangkan late that night.

Driving along the Tsokiang River, a separate Japanese column defeated 200 Chinese troops and captured the walled town of Funan, about 40 miles southwest of Nanning.

It is also stated that about 500 Chinese troops were driven away by the Japanese near Pingkikan yesterday morning.

Latest field dispatches say that the Japanese forces have completely surrounded the remnant Chinese in the Tsokiang area.

Chinese Admission

Chinese reports admit that the Japanese troops which were defeated at Kiangshan in Western Kwangtung and retreated to Nanning in South Kwangsi started a drive toward Funan on March 26 but make no mention of the city's alleged capture. According to a "Central News" message, one column pushing down the Nanning-Funan highway is being intercepted by the Chinese. Another column of about 4,000, pushing westward, is encountering stiff Chinese resistance at Kengchusha.

KOWLOON DOCKS THEFT

The fact that over 600 pounds of copper and brass had been missing from the Kowloon Docks during the past six months was mentioned by Sgt. Whitley when Liu Kum, 27, widow, was charged with larceny of 21½ pounds of brass from the docks before Mr. Himsworth-at-Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sgt. Whitley said defendant was seen going in and out of the Dockyard by the watchman, who became suspicious, and he had her searched by a female searcher. A copper ingot and two other brass pieces valued at \$20 were found. Defendant had \$23 in her possession.

A fine of \$20 was imposed.

NEW ADVISER TO LORD ZETLAND

LONDON, Mar. 28 (British Wireless).—The Secretary of State for India has appointed Dewan Bahadur Ranganathan as his adviser under Section 178 of the Government of India Act of 1935 in the vacancy which was to have been filled by the late Sir A. P. Panikselvam.

The new adviser, who is an Indian Christian, was Vice-Chancellor of Annamalai University from 1920 to 1935 and has been Vice-Chancellor of Madras University since May, 1937.

Appreciation Of The Allies

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Commenting on sea warfare, the Danish newspaper, "National Tidende," says that neither Britain nor France will demote themselves by torpedoing neutral ships without warning or even German ships without doing everything possible for the rescue of the crews.

and although this maybe ideal, it was dangerous.

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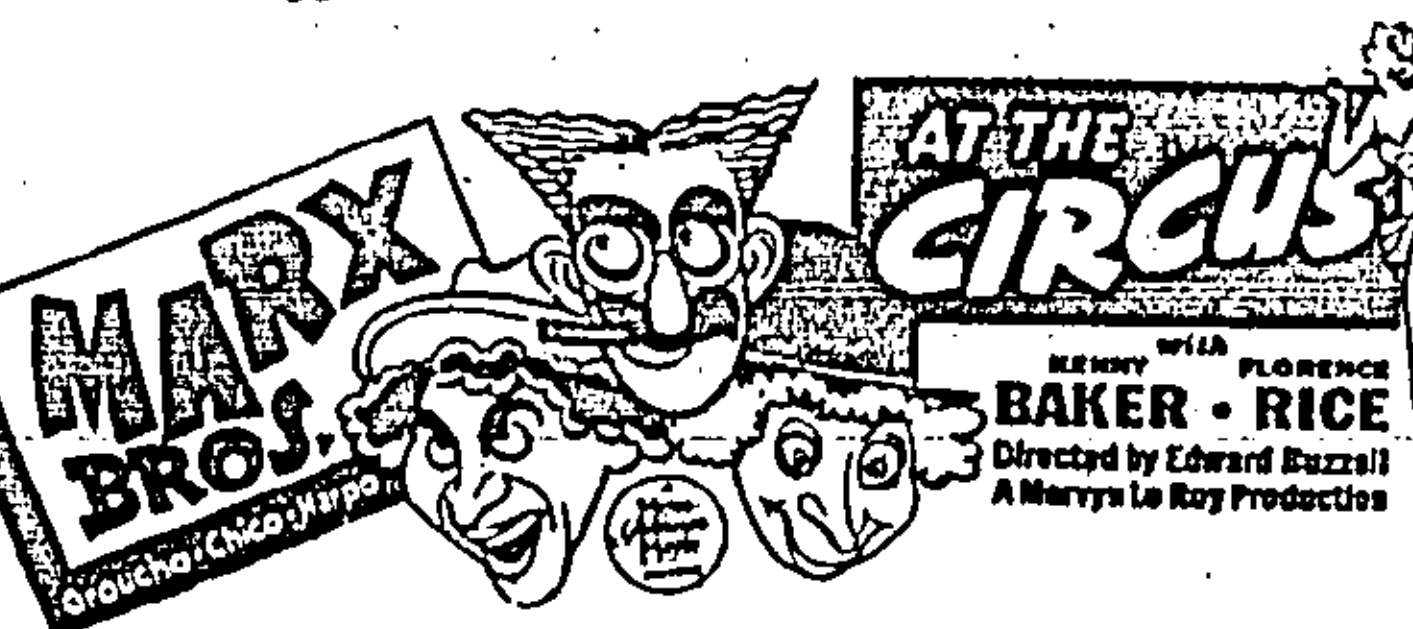
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Naval Volunteers

Inspected By Admiral
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His Excellency Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief, inspected the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Reserve under the command of Commander J. Petrie, D.S.C., on Wednesday afternoon.

His Excellency was met at the gangway of H.M.S. Cornflower in the Naval Dockyard by Commodore A. M. Peters, D.S.C., R.N., Commander J. Petrie, Commanding Officer, Lieutenant-Commander R. J. Vernal, 1st Lieutenant and Paymaster, Lieutenant-Commander E. Grossman, Accountant-Officer.

Divisions, under the command of Lieutenant-Commander J. C. M. Grenham were inspected by His Excellency as follows:—Officers, under the charge of Lieutenant H. W. M. Duley; Warrant Officers, under the charge of Lieutenant S. J. Swelland; European Seamen Ratings, under the charge of Sub-Lieutenant L. D. M. Beattie; Chinese Seamen Ratings, under the charge of Sub-Lieutenant F. R. L. Carey; and Communication Ratings, under the charge of Sub-Lieutenant H. C. Eardley.

The officer of the watch was Sub-Lieutenant L. P. Ralph. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief then inspected the ships and crews of the Auxiliary Patrol Vessels Flotilla operated by the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Reserve and later congratulated members of the Force on the very valuable work they are carrying out in the defence of the Colony and expressed his appreciation of their loyalty and keenness.

RELIEF DONATIONS

B.F.R.D.C. Gifts for Use
In West River Area

The Board of Administration of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong and South China Branch, has granted a donation of drugs to the value of \$5,301.20, to the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China, for use in the West River area.

The Board has also made the following grants:—To the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China, for the Canton International Red Cross Service Corps under the direction of Dr. Wong Man, for maintenance of the Corps for April, May and June, 1940, N.C.\$15,000. To the Little Sisters of the Poor, Hongkong, in connection with their refugee relief work, \$500.

To the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China, specific emergency grant to the Chinese Y.W.C.A. in connection with their relief work on behalf of students in Macao, caused by the invasion of Chungshan recently, \$1,000.

LATE NEWS

Clipper Mail Seized

NEW YORK, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—Pan American Airways announce that some mail was taken by the British authorities from a westbound Atlantic Clipper when she made a scheduled halt at Bermuda yesterday morning. No force was used.

The passengers state that the Captain of the plane made a formal protest when submitting to the seizure.

Canadian Dollars For England

OTTAWA, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—Colonel Ralston, the Minister for Finance, announced to-day that in order to help provide the United Kingdom with dollars for the purchase of war supplies in Canada, residents in the United Kingdom may, from April 1, make limited sales of securities in Canada through normal financial channels.

BRITISH CASUALTY LIST OF 725

LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—The names of 100 officers and men and 12 women who have died on active service appear in the third War Office casualty list which was published to-day.

The list gives details as follows: Died 714; died from wounds three; died from wounds while prisoners of war one; killed one; wounded 6.

The officers whose names appear in the list include Lieutenant (Quartermaster) E. Smith, the youngest holder of the Victoria Cross received in the Great War, who died in France last January.

The names of 141 warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Artillery who died on active service are included in the list.

The highest death toll recorded is that of the Royal Army Service Corps with 70 dead.

French Decorate British Soldiers

WITH THE B.E.F., Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Coming straight from a night patrol in No-man's-land, Captain J. H. Hudson and Fusilier Worsley of the Lancashire Fusiliers this morning received the Croix de Guerre in the hands of a French general in a meadow immediately behind the Maginot Line.

Members of the Lancashire Fusiliers and French infantrymen provided a guard of honour.

Captain Hudson and Fusilier Worsley were members of a patrol which defeated a German patrol on March 20.

Parked Cars Too Long

European Drivers Fined

Three Europeans were fined by Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistrate's court this morning for breach of the Traffic Regulations.

Mr. Talan, of American Lloyd Co., was fined \$10 for parking his car in Queen's Road Central longer than was necessary.

A similar fine was imposed on R. F. Gregory, of Causeway Hill, for leaving his car unattended in Chater Road.

J. E. Potter, of Leigh and Orange, was fined \$5 for parking his car beyond the time-limit in Connaught Road Central.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Clarke prosecuted.

SUMMER-TIME IN TIENTSIN

TIENTSIN, Mar. 29 (Reuter).—Summer time will be introduced in the British area here on April 1.

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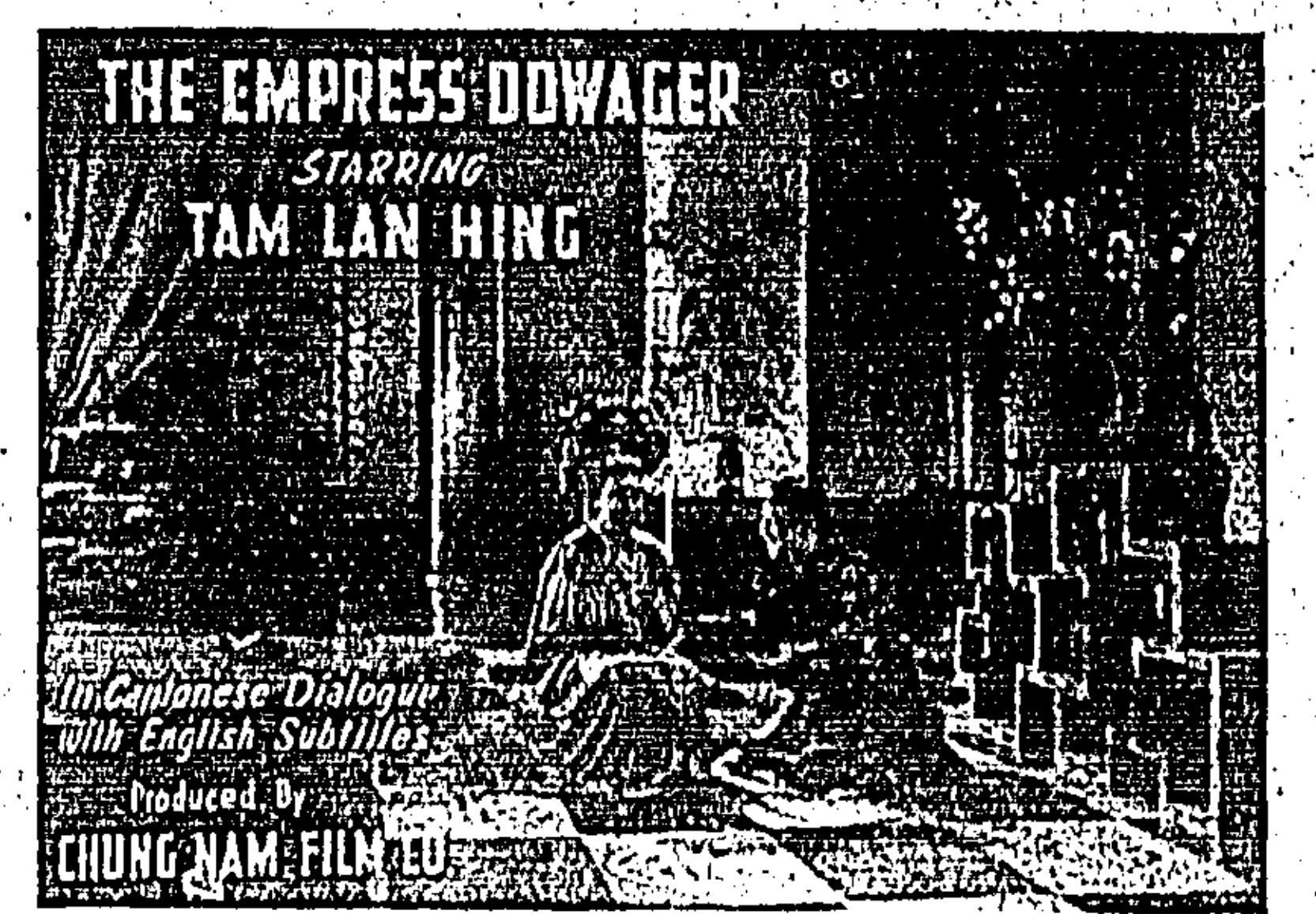
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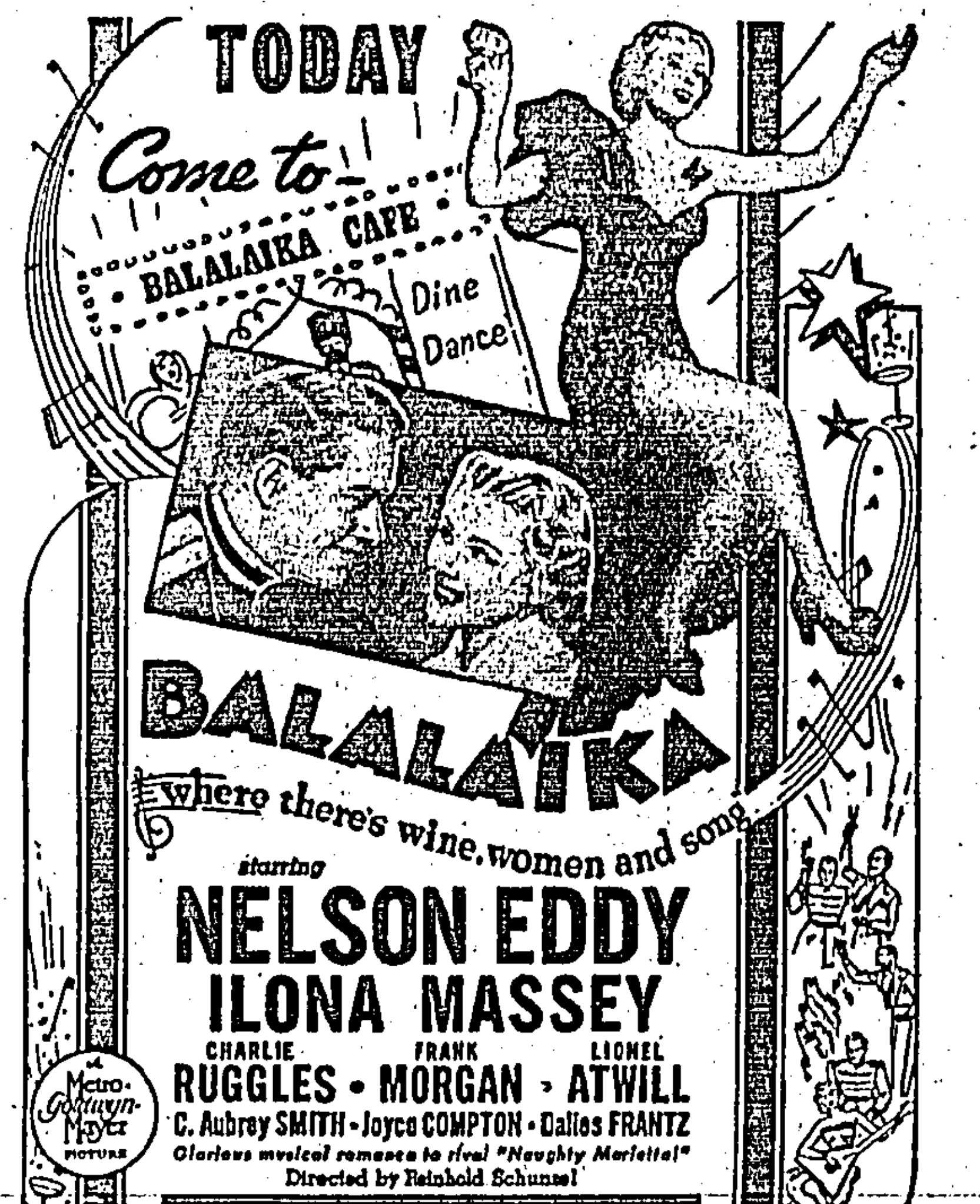
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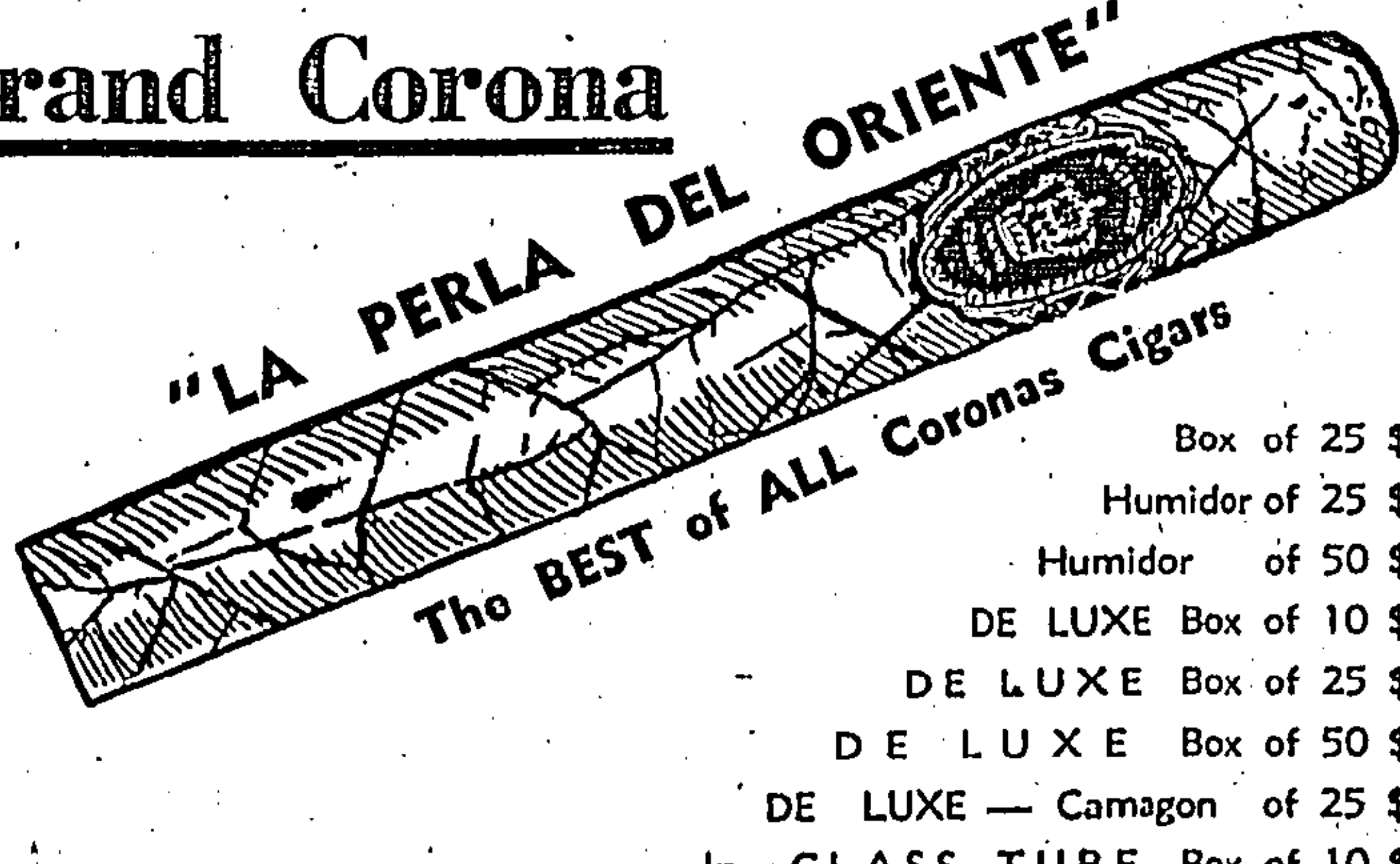


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